

Mercadante Paul
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Mercadante Paul

(Last) (First) (Middle)
915 DEGUIGNE DRIVE
(Street)

SUNNYVALE, CA 94085-3836
(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Spansion Inc. [CODE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
04/02/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (D) Price		
Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	04/02/2012		A		11,250 (1)	A	\$ 0 42,500 (1) (2) D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option award (right to buy)	\$ 12.4	04/02/2012		A	32,500 <u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u> 04/02/2019	Class A Common Stock	32,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Mercadante Paul 915 DEGUIGNE DRIVE SUNNYVALE, CA 94085-3836			X	

Signatures

/s/ Scot A. Griffin, Attorney-in-Fact for: MERCADANTE PAUL 04/04/2012

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
 - (1) Represents shares of restricted common stock granted pursuant to the Spansion Inc. 2010 Equity Incentive Award Plan (the "Equity Plan"). The restricted stock unit ("RSU") award will vest quarterly over three (3) years from the grant date. Upon vesting of the RSUs, the Reporting Person is entitled to receive one (1) share of common stock for each one (1) RSU.
 - (2) The Reporting Person is an officer of Silver Lake Management Company Sumeru, L.L.C. ("Sumeru"). Pursuant to the Reporting Person's arrangement with Sumeru with respect to director compensation, the proceeds from any sale of the shares reported hereby are expected to be assigned to Sumeru.
 - (3) Represents option shares granted pursuant to the Equity Plan. The option will vest quarterly over three (3) years from the grant date.

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