

CISCO SYSTEMS INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
RICHARDSON JAMES

(Last) (First) (Middle)

170 WEST TASMAN DRIVE

(Street)

SAN JOSE, CA 95134

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CISCO SYSTEMS INC [CSCO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
09/21/2006

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)
 SVP, Commercial Business

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 | | |
| Common Stock | 09/21/2006 ⁽¹⁾ | | A | | 50,000 ⁽¹⁾ \$ 0 457,846 | 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)

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| 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------|------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Am Nur Sha |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 23.01 | 09/21/2006 | | A | 150,000 | <u>(2)</u> 09/21/2015 | Common Stock | 15 | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| RICHARDSON JAMES 170 WEST TASMAN DRIVE SAN JOSE, CA 95134 | | | SVP, Commercial Business | |

Signatures

/s/ James Richardson by Dennis Powell, his Attorney-in-Fact 09/21/2006

__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 a restricted stock unit award with respect to 50,000 shares of common stock that vests in five (5) successive equal annual installments with the first twenty percent (20%) vesting on the one (1) year anniversary of the grant date.
- (2) The option vests as to twenty percent (20%) of the shares on the one (1) year anniversary of the grant date, and as to the remaining eighty percent (80%) of the shares thereafter in forty eight (48) successive equal monthly installments.

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