

ADOBE SYSTEMS INC  
Form 4  
October 17, 2006

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**COTTLE KAREN O**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**ADOBE SYSTEMS  
INCORPORATED, 345 PARK  
AVENUE**

(Street)

**SAN JOSE, CA 95110**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

**ADOBE SYSTEMS INC [ADBE]**

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

**10/16/2006**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)  
SVP, Gen. Counsel & Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_X\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	10/16/2006		M		3,084	A	\$ 21.775	31,724 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Stock	10/16/2006		M		51,083	A	\$ 21.775	82,807	D	
Common Stock	10/16/2006		S		51,083	D	\$ 38.5444	31,724	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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.775	10/16/2006		M	3,084	10/16/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/19/2011	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.775	10/16/2006		M	51,083	10/16/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/19/2011	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
COTTLE KAREN O ADOBE SYSTEMS INCORPORATED 345 PARK AVENUE SAN JOSE, CA 95110	SVP, Gen. Counsel & Secretary

## Signatures

/s/ Stuart Fagin, as attorney-in-fact 10/17/2006

\_\_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) Total includes purchase of 878 shares of common stock on June 30, 2006 pursuant to Adobe's 1997 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

(2) Vests at a rate of 25% one year after grant date, 2.08% per month for the following 12 months, and 4.17% per month for the remaining 12 months.

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