FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Xiao Dei	ming (Firs	MINES ROAD	Middle)		MO [ MP 3. Dat 02/0	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MONOLITHIC POWER SYSTEMS INC  [MPWR]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/09/2010  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								(C	X	all applicable) Director Officer (give title below) Pres. of MPS A vidual or Joint/Group			10% Owner Other (specify below) Asia Operations o Filing (Check Applicable e Reporting Person e than One Reporting	
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans.				2. Transact Date (Month/Day	tion 2A. Exec		Deemed cution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired Disposed Of (D) (Instr. and 5)				(A) or 5. So B		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		Ownership rm: Direct or irect (I) str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
						Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Pric	e	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(30. 4)		(111541. 4)			
Common Stock 02/09/2						010			A		10,000	(1)	A \$		15,610		5,610		I	by Spouse
Common Stock																47,828			D	
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
Derivative C Security (Instr. 3) P D	vative Conversion Date Execution Date, urity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			tion Date,	Code (I	Transaction of Derivating Securities (A) or Dispose of (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)			6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	on Da		Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr 3 and 4)					9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

## Explanation of Responses:

1. 25% of the Performance Units are subject to vest on the first anniversary of the Vesting Commencement Date and 25% of the Performance Units are subject to vest on each of the next 3 yearly anniversaries of the Vesting Commencement Date, provided that the Grantee continues to be a Service Provider from the Grant Date through each applicable vesting date.

By: Rick Neely For: Deming <u>02/11/2010</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- \* 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).

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