### FORM 4

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Addro Sciammas	ess of Reporting Per Maurice	rson <sup>*</sup>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MONOLITHIC POWER SYSTEMS INC</u> [MPWR]		ationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer « all applicable) Director 10% Owner		
(Last) 79 GREAT OAI	(First) KS BLVD	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/02/2012	X	Officer (give title below) Sr. V.P.of Sales and I	Other (specify below) Marketing	
(Street) SAN JOSE (City)	CA (State)	95119 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indi Line) X	vidual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Repo Form filed by More than Person	rting 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	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	08/02/2012		<b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		1,131	D	\$19	125,314	D	
Common Stock	08/03/2012		<b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		232	D	\$19.24	125,082	D	
Common Stock	08/03/2012		<b>S</b> <sup>(2)</sup>		1,932	D	\$19.844(3)	123,150	D	
Common Stock								74,004	Ι	by Family Trust
Common Stock								16,371	Ι	byC Sciammas 04 TRST
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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. Transact Code (In 8)		of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) of Dispo of (D)	r osed ) ∵.3,4	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) sed 3, 4		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		of Derivative	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares sold to pay tax obligations resulting from the vesting of restricted stock units.

2. In accordance with the reporting person's 10b5-1 trading plan.

3. The price is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The prices for the transactions reported on this line range from \$19.19 to \$20.12. The reporting person undertakes to provide, upon request by the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

By: Saria Tseng For: Maurice 08/03/2012

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\*\* 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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