FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| (Last) | GREAT OAKS BLVD eet) N JOSE CA 95119 | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MONOLITHIC POWER SYSTEMS INC [MPWR] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/11/2013 | | | | | | | | (Check X | cionship of Reporting F all applicable) Director Officer (give title below) Pres. of MPS Asia | | 10% C Other below) sia Operation | wner specify S |
|---|---|--|--------------|--|------------------|--|-----|--|---|---------------|--|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| (Street) SAN JOS (City) | | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Ap Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Perso Form filed by More than One Repo Person | | | |
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| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | | | | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yea | | 2A. Deem Execution ar) if any (Month/D | | ate, | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acqu Disposed Of (D) (I | | Acquired (A) or (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) Price | | Repoi Trans | | | (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock | | | | 07/11/201 | 3 | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 9,349 | D | \$25.04 | \$25.0467(2) | | 4,880 | D | | |
| Common Stock | | | | 07/12/201 | 13 | | | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | 46,836 | A | \$10.4 | 0.41 ⁽³⁾ | | 1,716 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | 07/12/201 | .3 | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | \perp | 46,836 | D | \$25.2 | \$25.2168 | | 4,880 | D | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 12 | 2,033 | I | by Spouse | |
| | | Т | able | e II - Deriva (e.g., p | | | | | • | • | posed of , converti | | | • | wned | | | |
| Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | Exe if ar | | | 5. Num of Derivation Securiti Acquire (A) or Disposion of (D) (Instr. 3 and 5) | | rivative curities quired or sposed (D) str. 3, 4 | Expiration ve (Month/Day es d | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) | | of Der Sec (Ins | Price erivative ecurity ectr. 5) | 9. Number or derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership |
| | | | | | | v | (A) | A) (D) | Date Exe | e rcisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amour or Number of Shares | er | | | | |
| Incentive Stock Option (right to buy) | \$10.91 ⁽³⁾ | 07/12/2013 | | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | | 46,83 | 6 12/ | 01/2005 | 12/07/2014 | Common Stock | 46,83 | 66 | \$0.0 | 0 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. In accordance with the reporting person's 10b5-1 trading plan.
- 2. 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 \$25.00 to \$25.14. 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.
- 3. On December 11, 2012, the Company's Board declared a special cash dividend of \$1.00 per common share, which was paid on December 28, 2012 to all shareholders of record as of the close of business on December 21, 2012. The Board approved a modification whereby each outstanding option as of December 28, 2012 was increased by a ratio of 1.0471 with a corresponding reduction in the exercise price.

By: Saria Tseng For: Deming Xiao

07/15/2013

** 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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