

MONOLITHIC POWER SYSTEMS INC
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Neely Rick

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 MONOLITHIC POWER SYSTEMS INC [MPWR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 6409 GUADALUPE MINES ROAD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/08/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Chief Financial Officer

SAN JOSE, CA 95120
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 ⁽¹⁾ | 02/08/2008 | | A | | 10,000 | A | \$ 0 19,500 |
| | | | | | | 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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 15.6 | 02/08/2008 | | A | 23,450 | 01/31/2010 ⁽²⁾ 02/08/2015 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Neely Rick 6409 GUADALUPE MINES ROAD SAN JOSE, CA 95120 | | | Chief Financial Officer | |

Signatures

Rick Neely 02/11/2008

**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) Subject to accelerated vesting in certain circumstances, 25% of the Performance Units are subject to vest on the 12-month 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.

(2) Fifty percent (50%) of the Shares subject to the Option shall vest twenty-four (24) months after the Vesting Commencement Date, and 1/48 of the Shares subject to the Option shall vest monthly thereafter on the same day of the month as the Vesting Commencement Date, subject to the Optionee continuing to be a Service Provider on such dates.

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