SOARES DAVID
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SOARES DAVID

(Last) (First) (Middle)

NETGEAR, INC., 350 E. PLUMERIA DR.

(Street)

SAN JOSE, CA 95134

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
NETGEAR, INC [NTGR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/16/2012

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 below) _____ Other (specify below)
SVP and GM, RBU

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	01/16/2012		M		2,000 (11)	A	$ 0	19,962	D	
Common Stock	01/16/2012		F		761	D	$ 37.53	19,201	D	
Common Stock	01/17/2012		M(12)		416	A	$ 11.41	19,617	D	
Common Stock	01/17/2012		S(12)		416	D	$ 37.69	19,201	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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 29.23							(3)	01/12/2017	Common Stock	20,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 28.79							(4)	01/11/2018	Common Stock	20,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 11.41	01/17/2012		M(12)			416	(5)	01/16/2019	Common Stock	416
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	01/16/2012		M			2,000	(6)	(2)	Common Stock	2,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 21.1							(7)	02/02/2020	Common Stock	14,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 20.8							(8)	06/13/2020	Common Stock	12,000

Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 35.32		(9)	02/03/2021	Common Stock	20,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 33.15		(10)	04/26/2021	Common Stock	3,400

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SOARES DAVID NETGEAR, INC. 350 E. PLUMERIA DR. SAN JOSE, CA 95134			SVP and GM, RBU	

Signatures

/s/ Andrew W. Kim, Attorney in Fact	01/18/2012
**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) Converts to common stock on a one for one basis.

(2) Not applicable.

(3) 25% of the option grant is exercisable on 1/12/2008, and 1/48 of the option grant is exercisable each month thereafter.

(4) 25% of the option grant is exercisable on 1/11/2009, and 1/48 of the option grant is exercisable each month thereafter.

(5) 25% of the option grant is exercisable on 1/16/2010, and 1/48 of the option grant is exercisable each month thereafter.

(6) Stock units will be paid in an equal number of shares of the Issuer's common stock upon vesting of the units. 25% of the units will cliff vest on each anniversary of 1/16/2009, the vesting start date, so that all of the units will have vested on 1/16/2013.

(7) 25% of the option grant is exercisable on 2/2/2011, and 1/48 of the option grant is exercisable each month thereafter.

(8) 25% of the shares subject to the option shall vest on 6/13/2011, and 1/48th of the shares subject to the option shall vest each month thereafter, subject to the optionee continuing to be a service provider on such dates.

(9) 25% of the option grant is exercisable on 2/3/2012, and 1/48 of the option grant is exercisable each month thereafter.

(10) 25% of the option grant is exercisable on 4/26/2012, and 1/48 of the option grant is exercisable each month thereafter.

(11) Acquired pursuant to the vesting of restricted stock units which convert to common stock on a one for one basis.

(12) The exercises and sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on August 30, 2011.

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