

REALNETWORKS INC
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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 *
BENHAMOU ERIC

(Last) (First) (Middle)

540 COWPER STREET, SUITE 200

(Street)

PALO ALTO, CA 94301

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
REALNETWORKS INC [RNWK]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
10/21/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

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)
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	10/21/2011		M	5,679 A	\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾ 5,679	D	
Common Stock					8,230 ⁽²⁾	I	By Trust

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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit Award	\$ 0 ⁽³⁾	10/21/2011		M	5,679 (2)	10/21/2011 ⁽⁴⁾ 10/21/2017	Common Stock	5,679 (2)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BENHAMOU ERIC 540 COWPER STREET, SUITE 200 PALO ALTO, CA 94301	X			

Signatures

/s/ Eric A.

Benhamou

10/24/2011

**Signature of
Reporting Person

 Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Vested restricted stock units were distributed to the reporting person, without payment, in shares of common stock on a unit-for-share basis.

(2) On August 23, 2011 the issuer paid a special dividend of \$1.00 per share to its shareholders and on August 30, 2011, a 1-for-4 reverse split of the issuer's common stock became effective, resulting in the adjustment of the reporting person's holdings to reflect the special dividend and reverse stock split.

(3) Converts into common stock on a one-for-one basis on the share distribution date.

(4) The restricted stock units vest in 12 substantially equal monthly installments until the restricted stock units become fully vested on the first anniversary of the grant date, provided that the reporting individual continues to serve as a director of the issuer through such date. The share distribution date applicable to the restricted stock units is the sooner to occur of (1) the first anniversary of the grant date, or (2) the date of separation from the Board.

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