DAWSON MICHAEL R

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DAWSON MICHAEL R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

BENCHMARK ELECTRONICS INC [BHE]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

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

X_ Director Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

16 ST. CHRISTOPHER COURT

(Street)

05/07/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 8)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Instr. 4)

Person

SUGAR LAND, TX 77479

(City)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

(State)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I)

(A) or

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 4)

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares Stock Option Common 05/07/2008 05/07/2018 \$ 17.43 10,000 05/07/2008 A 10,000 Stock (right to buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DAWSON MICHAEL R 16 ST. CHRISTOPHER COURT X SUGAR LAND, TX 77479

Signatures

Michael R.

Dawson 05/07/2008

**Signature of Pate 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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