

HANFORD DEIRDRE

Form 4

December 05, 2008

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HANFORD DEIRDRE

(Last) (First) (Middle)

700 EAST MIDDLEFIELD ROAD

(Street)

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

SYNOPSYS INC [SNPS]

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

12/03/2008

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)

Sr. VP, Global Tech Services

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/03/2008		F	(A) or (D) D	Amount 1,520 (1) Price \$ 15.09	15,315	D
Common Stock	12/03/2008		A	A	\$ 0 (2)	19,565	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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	12/03/2008		A ⁽³⁾	17,000	12/03/2008 ⁽⁴⁾ 12/10/2011	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	12/03/2008		D	4,250	12/03/2008 12/10/2011	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
HANFORD DEIRDRE 700 EAST MIDDLEFIELD ROAD MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043	Sr. VP, Global Tech Services

Signatures

By: Stephen Buckhout pursuant to POA For: Deirdre Hanford 12/05/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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- These shares were retained by the Company in order to meet the tax withholding obligations of the award holder in connection with the
- (1) vesting of an installment of the performance restricted stock unit award. The Compensation Committee approved the disposition of shares by the award holder and the amount retained by the Company was not in excess of the amount of the tax liability.
 - (2) Upon vesting, each restricted stock unit was converted into an equivalent number of shares of common stock.
 - (3) On 12/10/07 the reporting person was granted Restrited Stock Units the vesting of which was based on satisfaction of certain performance criteria for the fiscal year ending 10/31/08. The performance criteria were met.
 - (4) 25% of the units vest on the date shown followed by three equal annual installments.

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