PROBST LAWRENCE F III

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PROBST LAWRENCE F III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ELECTRONIC ARTS INC [ERTS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

209 REDWOOD SHORES

PARKWAY

(Last)

(Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2005

X Director X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

Chairman of the Board, CEO

(Street)

(First)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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

(Instr. 4)

Person

REDWOOD CITY, CA 94065

(City) (State) (Zip)

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)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

(Instr. 4)

10% Owner

(A)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

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

7. Title and Amor Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	Disposed o	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				
				Code	V (A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am Nui Sha
Non-Qualified Stock Opti2015	\$ 64.92	03/01/2005		A	100,000		<u>(1)</u>	03/01/2015	Common Stock	10
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 64.92	03/01/2005		A	200,000		(2)	03/01/2015	Common Stock	20

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
reporting owner rune / rune	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
PROBST LAWRENCE F III 209 REDWOOD SHORES PARKWAY REDWOOD CITY, CA 94065	X		Chairman of the Board, CEO			

Signatures

Stephanie Kuo attorney in fact for Lawrence F.
Probst III

03/02/2005

**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) Option vests and becomes exercisable as to 24%, 12 months from vest date; then vests as to an additional 2% each month thereafter for 38 months
- Option vests and becomes exercisable as to 25%, 24 months from grant date; then vests as to an additional 25%, 36 months from grant date; and then vests as to the remaining 50%, 48 months from grant date.

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