

MERRILL MARK G  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
MERRILL MARK G

(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)  
02/16/2010

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)  
Chief Technology Officer

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	(D)	Price
Common Stock	02/16/2010		M		666	A	\$ 4.51
Common Stock	02/16/2010		S		666	D	\$ 24
Common Stock	02/18/2010		M		58,567	A	\$ 4.51
Common Stock	02/18/2010		S		20,000	D	\$ 23.7757
Common Stock	02/18/2010		S		38,567	D	\$ 24.0533
Common Stock	02/18/2010		S		9,479	D	

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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
Restricted Stock Units	(3)					(6) (5)	Common Stock 1,750
Restricted Stock Units	(3)					(7) (5)	Common Stock 1,500
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.51	02/16/2010		M	666	(1) 04/05/2010	Common Stock 666
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 6					(2) 10/30/2012	Common Stock 2,001
Restricted Stock Units	(3)					(4) (5)	Common Stock 2,000
Restricted Stock Units	(3)					(8) (5)	Common Stock 2,250
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.1					(9) 02/02/2020	Common Stock 6,000

Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.51	02/18/2010	M	58,567	(1)	04/05/2010	Common Stock	58,567
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MERRILL MARK G NETGEAR, INC. 350 E. PLUMERIA DR. SAN JOSE, CA 95134			Chief Technology Officer	

## Signatures

/s/ Andrew W. Kim, Attorney in Fact	02/18/2010
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\_\_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) This stock option was granted under the NETGEAR, Inc. 2000 Option Plan on December 9, 2000 and is fully vested and exercisable at this time.
  - (2) This stock option was granted under the NETGEAR, Inc. 2000 Option Plan on October 30, 2002 and is fully vested and exercisable at this time.
  - (3) Converts to common stock on a one for one basis.
  - (4) 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 5/23/06, the vest start date, so that all of the units will have vested on 5/23/2010.
  - (5) Not applicable.
  - (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 1/12/2007, the vest start date, so that all of the units will have vested on 1/12/2011.
  - (7) 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 1/11/2008, the vest start date, so that all of the units will have vested on 1/11/2012.
  - (8) 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.
  - (9) 25% of the option grant is exercisable on 2/2/2011, and 1/48 of the option grant is exercisable each month thereafter.

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