

Watkins James M
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Watkins James M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MINDSPEED TECHNOLOGIES, INC [MSPD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
VP, Finance, & PAO

(Last) (First) (Middle)

4000 MACARTHUR BLVD., EAST TOWER

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
11/19/2012

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---------------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 11/19/2012 | | F | 917 ⁽¹⁾ D \$ 3.16 | 14,083 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 417 | I | By Savings Plan - MSPD ⁽²⁾ |

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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 6.28 | | | V | (A) | 01/31/2013 ⁽³⁾ 02/12/2020 | Common Stock | 2,500 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

VP, Finance, & PAO

Signatures

/s/ Brandi R. Steege,
Attorney-in-fact

11/20/2012

**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) Consists of shares of the Company's common stock withheld from the reporting person in order to satisfy applicable tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of restricted stock.

(2) Shares represented by Company stock fund units under the Mindspeed Technologies, Inc. Savings Plan which were acquired on a periodic basis pursuant to the Plan, based on the latest information furnished by the Plan Administrator. The shares represented by Company stock fund units under the Plan are held in the employee benefit plan trust established thereunder.

(3) Options become exercisable as to 1/3 of the option shares on this date and as to an additional 1/8 each three months thereafter.

(4) Reflects the reporting person's current holdings of this security. No transactions in this security are being reported herein.

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