**NETGEAR INC** Form 4 April 03, 2006

## FORM 4

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1(b).

Stock (3)

04/03/2006

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MERRILL MARK G	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NETGEAR INC [NTGR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle)  NETGEAR, INC., 4500 GREAT AMERICA PARKWAY	U+/U:)/ ZUUU	(Check all applicable)  Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Chief Technology Officer			
(Street) SANTA CLARA, CA 95054	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 Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	<b>Derivative</b>	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y 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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock (3)	04/03/2006		M	10,000	A	\$ 4.51	10,000	D	
Common	0410212006		Ъ	10.000	<b>D</b>	\$	0	D	

10,000 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative Ex		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
Employee Stock Option (right to buy) (3)	\$ 4.51	04/03/2006		M	1	0,000	<u>(1)</u>	04/05/2010	Common Stock	10,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6						(2)	10/30/2012	Common Stock	22,001

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MERRILL MARK G NETGEAR, INC. 4500 GREAT AMERICA PARKWAY SANTA CLARA, CA 95054

Chief Technology Officer

### **Signatures**

/s/ Mark Merrill 04/03/2006

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

## **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).
- The Reporting Person exercised 10,000 shares of the original 531,606 share stock option granted under the NETGEAR, Inc. 2000 Stock
- (1) Option Plan on April 5, 2000. Such option becomes exercisable at a rate of 1/4th of the shares on December 9, 2000 and 1/48th of the shares on each one-month anniversary thereafter.
- (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) This transaction is made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Plan that was adopted in November 2005.

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