

NIERENBERG INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT CO  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
 NIERENBERG INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT CO

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 BROOKS AUTOMATION INC [BRKS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 19605 NE 8TH STREET  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 07/21/2008

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_X\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

CAMAS, WA 98607

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 \_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 \_X\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)		
				(A) or (D)	Price				
				Code	V	Amount			
Common Stock	07/21/2008		P	3,300	A	\$ 8.67	195,823 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	By The D3 Family Canadian Fund, LP
Common Stock	07/22/2008		P	4,700	A	\$ 8.67	200,523 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	By The D3 Family Canadian Fund, LP
Common Stock							962,351 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	By The D3 Family Fund, LP

Common Stock						3,880,407 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	By The D3 Family Bulldog Fund, LP
Common Stock						1,080,720 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	By The DIII Offshore Fund, LP
Common Stock	07/23/2008		P	4,600	A	\$ 205,123 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	By The D3 Family Canadian Fund, LP

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NIERENBERG INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT CO 19605 NE 8TH STREET CAMAS, WA 98607		X		
D3 Family Canadian Fund, L.P. 19605 NE 8TH STREET CAMAS, WA 98607		X		

NIERENBERG DAVID  
19605 NE 8TH STREET  
CAMAS, WA 98607

X

## Signatures

David Nierenberg, President, Nierenberg Investment Management Company, Inc.  
(NIMCO)

07/23/2008

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

David Nierenberg, President, NIMCO, General Partner of the D3 Family Canadian  
Fund, LP

07/23/2008

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

David Nierenberg

07/23/2008

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Each of the reporting persons disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent of the reporting person's pecuniary interest therein.

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