

Kearny Ryan C.
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Kearny Ryan C.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O F5 NETWORKS, INC., 401
ELLIOTT AVE. W.

(Street)

SEATTLE, WA 98119

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
F5 NETWORKS INC [FFIV]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
11/01/2017

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 ____ Other (specify
below) below)
CTO& EVP, Product & Technology

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| Common Stock | 11/01/2017 | | M | 852 ⁽¹⁾ | A \$ 0 | 2,488 | D |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2017 | | S | 541 | D \$ 120.6816 | 1,947 | D |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2017 | | S | 400 | D \$ 121.315 | 1,547 | 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. 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. 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 Unit (4) | \$ 0 | 11/01/2017 | | M | 509 | (5) (6) | Common Stock | 509 |
| Restricted Stock Unit (4) | \$ 0 | 11/01/2017 | | M | 343 | (7) (6) | Common Stock | 343 |
| Restricted Stock Unit (4) (8) | \$ 0 | 11/01/2017 | | A | 6,219 | (9) (6) | Common Stock | 6,219 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|---|----------------------------------|
| | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| Kearny Ryan C. C/O F5 NETWORKS, INC. 401 ELLIOTT AVE. W. SEATTLE, WA 98119 | CTO& EVP, Product & Technology |

Signatures

/s/ Greg Davis by Power of Attorney 11/03/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Shares acquired upon vesting of the November 2, 2015 and November 1, 2016 awards of service-based Restricted Stock Units.

(2) This transaction was executed pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$120.08 to \$120.95. The reported price is the weighted average sale price. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Company, any security holder of the

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Company, or Securities and Exchange Commission staff, upon request, complete information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

(3) This transaction was executed pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$121.10 to \$121.43. The reported price is the weighted average sale price. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Company, any security holder of the Company, or Securities and Exchange Commission staff, upon request, complete information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

(4) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of F5 Networks, Inc. Common Stock on the vest date.

(5) The service-based Restricted Stock Units outstanding under this 11/02/2015 grant vest as follows: 508 vest 11/01/2016, 508 vest 02/01/2017, 509 vest 05/01/2017, 508 vest 08/01/2017, and 509 vest 11/01/2017.

(6) If the reporting person continues to provide services to the Company through the vest date, the corresponding number of shares of Common Stock of F5 Networks, Inc. will be issued to the reporting person on the vest date.

(7) This November 1, 2016 award of service-based Restricted Stock Units vests in sixteen equal quarterly increments beginning February 1, 2017.

Concurrent with the award of 6,219 service-based Restricted Stock Units, the Company granted the reporting person additional Restricted Stock Units that vest based on performance targets ("Performance RSUs"). If the performance targets are achieved at 100%, the reporting person will receive 6,219 Performance RSUs over the vesting period; the actual number of Performance RSUs received may be more or less depending on whether and to the extent that performance is greater than or less than targets. The Performance RSUs vests over a four-year period in four equal annual installments. Performance RSUs are not reported in Table II; the underlying shares of Performance RSUs will be reported in Table I if and when the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors determines that the performance targets have been achieved.

(9) This November 1, 2017 award of service-based Restricted Stock Units vests in sixteen equal quarterly increments beginning February 1, 2018.

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