#### HANFORD DEIRDRE

Form 4

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## FORM 4

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See Instruction 1(b).

Common

Stock

12/08/2008

(Print or Type Responses)

2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
SYNOPSYS INC [SNPS]			
3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
12/08/2008	X Officer (give title Other (specified below)  Sr. VP, Global Tech Services		
4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
	Symbol SYNOPSYS INC [SNPS] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/08/2008 4. If Amendment, Date Original		

(City)	(State) (	Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Secu	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securities A	-	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)	(Monday Pag)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 an	` ′	Beneficially Owned Following	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	(A or Amount (D		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/08/2008		F	1,252 (1) D	\$ 17.16	18,313	D	

3,500

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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exerci Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	te	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	,	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	12/08/2008		D	3,500	12/08/2008	12/08/2010	Common Stock	3,500

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HANFORD DEIRDRE 700 EAST MIDDLEFIELD ROAD MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043

Sr. VP, Global Tech Services

## **Signatures**

By: Stephen Buckhout pursuant to POA For: Deirdre Hanford

12/10/2008

\*\*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).
- These shares were retained by the Company in order to meet the tax withholding obligations of the award holder in connection with the vesting of an installment of the performance restricted stock unit award. The Compensation Committee approved the disposition of shares by the award holder and the amount retained by the Company was not in excess of the amount of the tax liability.
- (2) Upon vesting, each restricted stock unit was converted into an equivalent number of shares of common stock.

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