

Naddaf Esfandiar
Form 4
December 12, 2008

FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Naddaf Esfandiar

(Last) (First) (Middle)

700 EAST MIDDLEFIELD ROAD

(Street)

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

SYNOPSYS INC [SNPS]

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

12/10/2008

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)

VP, Controller

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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Ar Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)							
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title		
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.64	12/10/2008	J ⁽¹⁾		10,000		03/10/2009 ⁽²⁾	12/10/2015	Common Stock		
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	12/10/2008	A		4,500		12/08/2009 ⁽³⁾	12/10/2012	Common Stock		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Naddaf Esfandiar 700 EAST MIDDLEFIELD ROAD MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043			VP, Controller	

Signatures

By: Stephen Buckhout pursuant to POA For: Esfandiar Naddaf 12/12/2008

__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) Grant to reporting person to buy shares of common stock under the Synopsys, Inc 2006 Employee Equity Incentive Plan
- (2) 3/48ths of the option becomes exercisable on the date shown followed by 45 equal monthly installments
- (3) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning December 8, 2009.

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