FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Xiao Deming						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MONOLITHIC POWER SYSTEMS INC [MPWR]									ck all applic Director	or		10% Ov	wner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 79 GREAT OAKS BLVD					03/18	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/18/2015									Pres.	Pres. of MPS Asi		•	5	
(Street) SAN JOS (City)	AN JOSE CA 95119				4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne)  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																				
Date				2. Transac Date (Month/Da		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired ( Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)					es ally	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	Pr Pr	ice	Reported Transact (Instr. 3	ion(s)		(1.4)	Instr. 4)		
Common Stock 03/18/20					015(1)	5(1)			M <sup>(1)</sup>		43,200	1) A		\$0. <mark>0</mark>	301,575			D		
Common Stock														1,889				by Spouse		
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)	if any	emed ion Date, //Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Ir 8)				6. Date Expirati (Month/	on D		Amoun Securit Underly Derivat	7. Title and Amount of Securities Jnderlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	V (A)		(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sha	nber		(Instr. 4)	SII(3)			
Performance Shares	(2)	03/18/2015 <sup>(1)</sup>			M <sup>(1)</sup>			43,200 <sup>(1)</sup>	(2)		(2)	(2) Common Stock		200	\$0.0	43,200		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Each performance share represents a contingent right to receive a restricted stock unit upon MPWR's common stock achieving a 20-day average closing price of \$52.00 per share from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2018 (the "Performance Period"). Credited performance units are still subject to an additional, quarterly, five-year time-based vesting schedule beginning January 1, 2019, subject to acceleration
- 2. Each performance unit will vest as follows: one share of MPWR common stock will be credited for each performance unit if the price of MPWR common stock achieves a 20-day average closing price of \$40.00 per share from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2018 (the "Performance Period"), and up to four additional shares will be credited for each performance unit if the 20-day average closing price reaches \$43.00, \$47.00, \$52.00 and \$56.00 (that is, one share per price level) during the Performance Period. Credited performance units are then subject to an additional, quarterly, five-year time-based vesting schedule beginning January 1, 2019, subject to acceleration under certain circumstances.

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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