

Sutphin Brian Joseph  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Sutphin Brian Joseph		(Month/Day/Year)	SUN MICROSYSTEMS, INC. [JAVA]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	10/02/2009	
10 NETWORK CIRCLE, M/S: UMPK10-147			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(Street)			(Check all applicable)	
MENLO PARK, CA 94025			<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
(City)			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
(State)			(give title below)	(specify below)
(Zip)			EVP, Corporate Dev. & Alliance	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
				<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	100,661 <sup>(1)</sup>	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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Title	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (2)	11/07/2009	Common Stock	3,125	\$ 50.36	D Â
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Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (2)	03/19/2010	Common Stock	50	\$ 36.56	D Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (2)	03/19/2010	Common Stock	2,500	\$ 36.56	D Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (2)	07/25/2010	Common Stock	750	\$ 14.8	D Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (2)	05/21/2011	Common Stock	1,150	\$ 16.8	D Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (2)	11/13/2011	Common Stock	3,500	\$ 16.832	D Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (2)	07/29/2012	Common Stock	45,000	\$ 15.16	D Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (2)	07/28/2013	Common Stock	60,000	\$ 15.4	D Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (2)	07/27/2014	Common Stock	85,000	\$ 17.04	D Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (2)	07/31/2015	Common Stock	100,000	\$ 20.4	D Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Sutphin Brian Joseph 10 NETWORK CIRCLE M/S: UMPK10-147 MENLO PARK, CA 94025	Â	Â	Â EVP, Corporate Dev. & Alliance	Â

## Signatures

Brian J. Sutphin                      10/13/2009  
 \_\_Signature of                      Date  
 Reporting Person

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) This includes 66,130 shares of unvested restricted stock units.

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(2) This option vests and becomes exercisable in five equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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