

Xiao Deming  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Xiao Deming

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
MONOLITHIC POWER SYSTEMS INC [MPWR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
79 GREAT OAKS BLVD  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/09/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Pres. of MPS Asia Operations

SAN JOSE, CA 95119

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	08/09/2012		S <sup>(1)</sup>	1,915 D	\$ 20.46	126,986	D
Common Stock	08/10/2012		S <sup>(1)</sup>	1,786 D	\$ 20.7344	125,200	D
Common Stock	08/09/2012		M <sup>(2)</sup>	12,108 A	\$ 8.05	22,108	I by Spouse
Common Stock	08/09/2012		S <sup>(2)</sup>	12,108 D	\$ 20.9	10,000	I by Spouse
Common Stock	08/09/2012		M <sup>(2)</sup>	14,329 A	\$ 8.05	24,329	I by Spouse

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Common Stock 08/09/2012 S<sup>(2)</sup> 14,329 D \$ 20.9 10,000 I by Spouse

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.05	08/09/2012		M <sup>(2)</sup>	41,329	03/28/2006 04/26/2015	Common Stock 41,329
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.05	08/09/2012		M <sup>(2)</sup>	12,108	03/28/2005 04/26/2015	Common Stock 12,108

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Xiao Deming 79 GREAT OAKS BLVD SAN JOSE, CA 95119			Pres. of MPS Asia Operations	

## Signatures

By: Meera Rao For: Deming Xiao 08/10/2012

\*\*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) Shares sold to pay tax obligations resulting from the vesting of restricted stock units.

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(2) In accordance with the reporting person's 10b5-1 trading plan.

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