MERRILL MARK G

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MERRILL MARK G			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NETGEAR, INC [NTGR]					ng	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) NETGEAR PLUMERIA	(First) , INC., 350 E. A DR.	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/11/2011					DirectorX Officer (giv below)		Owner er (specify		
(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) SAN JOSE, CA 95134						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - No	n-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Yea	r) Execution	emed on Date, if Day/Year)	Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (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)				
Common Stock	01/11/2011			M	·	750 (8)	A	\$ 0	8,294	D		
Common Stock	01/11/2011			F		316	D	\$ 36.4	7,978	D		

1,750

737

M

F

\$0

9,728

8,991

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	01/12/2011		M		1,750	<u>(4)</u>	(3)	Common Stock	0
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	01/11/2011		M		750	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	750
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$6						<u>(1)</u>	10/30/2012	Common Stock	2,001
Restricted Stock Units	(2)						<u>(6)</u>	(3)	Common Stock	2,250
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.1						<u>(7)</u>	02/02/2020	Common Stock	6,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director 10% Owner		Officer	Other			
MERRILL MARK G			Chief Technology Officer				
NETGEAR, INC.							

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350 E. PLUMERIA DR. SAN JOSE, CA 95134

Signatures

/s/ Andrew W. Kim, Attorney in Fact

01/13/2011

**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) This stock option was granted under the NETGEAR, Inc. 2000 Option Plan on October 30, 2002 and is fully vested and exercisable at this time.
- (2) Converts to common stock on a one for one basis.
- (3) Not applicable.
- (4) Stock units will be paid in an equal number of shares of the Issuer's common stock upon vesting of the units. 25% of the units will cliff vest on each anniversary of 1/12/2007, the vest start date, so that all of the units will have vested on 1/12/2011.
- (5) Stock units will be paid in an equal number of shares of the Issuer's common stock upon vesting of the units. 25% of the units will cliff vest on each anniversary of 1/11/2008, the vest start date, so that all of the units will have vested on 1/11/2012.
- (6) Stock units will be paid in an equal number of shares of the Issuer's common stock upon vesting of the units. 25% of the units will cliff vest on each anniversary of 1/16/2009, the vesting start date, so that all of the units will have vested on 1/16/2013.
- (7) 25% of the option grant is exercisable on 2/2/2011, and 1/48 of the option grant is exercisable each month thereafter.
- (8) Acquired pursuant to the vesting of restricted stock units which convert to common stock on a one for one basis.

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