

AMPEX CORP /DE/
Form 4
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FORM 4

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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 *
ATCHISON ROBERT L

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1228 DOUGLAS AVENUE
(Street)

REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AMPEX CORP /DE/ [AMPX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/15/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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	(A) or (D)	Price	
Class A Common Stock	08/15/2005		M		2,838	A	\$ 1.15 150	D
Class A Common Stock	08/15/2005		S ⁽¹⁾		1	D	\$ 31.87 150	D
Class A Common Stock	08/15/2005		S ⁽¹⁾		300	D	\$ 31.872 150	D
Class A Common	08/15/2005		S ⁽¹⁾		99	D	\$ 31.88 150	D

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Stock								
Class A Common Stock	08/15/2005	S ⁽¹⁾	300	D	\$ 31.904	150		D
Class A Common Stock	08/15/2005	S ⁽¹⁾	300	D	\$ 31.944	150		D
Class A Common Stock	08/15/2005	S ⁽¹⁾	238	D	\$ 31.98	150		D
Class A Common Stock	08/15/2005	S ⁽¹⁾	100	D	\$ 32	150		D
Class A Common Stock	08/15/2005	S ⁽¹⁾	1,500	D	\$ 32.21	150		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 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.25	08/15/2005		M	2,838	11/06/2000	11/06/2008	Class A Common Stock	2,838

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ATCHISON ROBERT L 1228 DOUGLAS AVENUE REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063			Vice President	

Signatures

Robert L.
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08/15/2005

__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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on May 24, 2005.
 - (2) After giving effect to this exercise, the reporting person owns 0 options with the same exercise price and expiration date.

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