

Sherman J Donald
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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 *
 Sherman J Donald

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES INC
 [AKAM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 02/28/2012

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 Chief Financial Officer

C/O AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC., 8 CAMBRIDGE CENTER

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 02/28/2012 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | D | 5,000 | \$ 37.15 | 81,021 D |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 02/29/2012 | | M | A | 17,653 | \$ 0 | 98,674 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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Units ⁽²⁾ | \$ 0 | 02/29/2012 | | M | 28,616 | ⁽³⁾ ⁽⁴⁾ | Common Stock | 28,616 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Sherman J Donald C/O AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC. 8 CAMBRIDGE CENTER CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142 | | | Chief Financial Officer | |

Signatures

/s/ JD Sherman 02/29/2012

^{**}Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Sales was made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Plan adopted by Mr. Sherman on May 20, 2011.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit ("RSU") represents the right to receive one share of common stock upon vesting.
- (3) The vesting of such RSUs was dependent on Akamai's achievement of cumulative revenue and earnings per share targets for fiscal years 2009, 2010 and 2011.
- (4) Not applicable.

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