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## FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Nielsen Tod			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol VMWARE, INC. [VMW]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Sheek all approache)		
3401 HILLVIE	EW AVE		(Month/Day/Year) 04/27/2010	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Operating Officer		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
PALO ALTO,	CA 94304		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit ord Dispos (Instr. 3, 4)	ed of (	` ′	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)
Class A Common Stock	04/27/2010		M	20,000	A	\$ 25.09	0	D	
Class A Common Stock	04/27/2010		S	20,000	D	\$ 62.153 (1) (2)	179,040	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 Underlying Securition (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Stock Option (right-to-buy)	\$ 25.09	04/27/2010		M	20,000	(3)	02/13/2010	Class A Common	20,0

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Nielsen Tod

3401 HILLVIEW AVE Chief Operating Officer PALO ALTO, CA 94304

**Signatures** 

Larry Wainblat, 04/29/2010 attorney-in-fact

\*\*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) Price represents weighted average for sales reported. The range of prices for the sales reported is \$62.10 through \$62.80.
- (2) The reporting person will provide upon request by the commission staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- The option, representing a right to purchase a total of 400,000 shares of Class A Common stock, became exercisable as to one-quarter of the shares on February 13, 2010, and vests in 36 equal monthly installments until fully exercisable on February 13, 2013.

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