FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* THOMPSON H BRIAN						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SONUS NETWORKS INC [SONS]							elationship o ck all applica Director	able)	Perso	on(s) to Issu 10% Ow		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O SONUS NETWORKS, INC.						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/12/2005							Officer (below)	(give title		Other (s below)	pecify	
250 APOLLO DRIVE (Street)					4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
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(City)	(Si		(Zip)															
		Tal	ole I - Nor	1-Deriv	vativ	e Se	curities	s Ac	quired, Di	sposed o	f, or Ber	neficially	Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da				Execution Date,		Code (Instr. 5)				5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	s For ally (D) following (I) (I		n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
									Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transacti (Instr. 3 a				(Instr. 4)	
									uired, Disp , options,				Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	cise (Month/Day/Year) f ive	3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day)	ate,	4. Transa Code (I 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Non- qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$4.95	10/12/2005			A		20,000		10/12/2006 ⁽¹⁾	10/12/2015	Common Stock	20,000	\$0	20,000)	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. The option vests as to 25% of the shares on October 12, 2006 and then, as to the remaining 75% of the shares, in equal monthly increments for the following thirty-six months.

<u>Charles J. Gray as attorney-in-fact for H. Brian Thompson</u>

10/14/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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