FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Lai Elmer A.</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SONUS NETWORKS INC [SONS]								Relationship eck all applic Directo	cable)	g Pers	son(s) to Issi 10% Ow Other (s	ner
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O SONUS NETWORKS, INC. 4 TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2012								X Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP, Controller & PAO				
(Street) WESTFORD MA 01886 (City) (State) (Zip)					_ 4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Tab	le I - Noi	n-Deri	vativ	e Se	curities	s Ac	quired, D	ispose	d o	f, or Be	neficial	y Owned	<u> </u>			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						Execution Date,			Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)			ities Acquired (A) or d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		Beneficia Owned F	es ally Following	Form (D) or	: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code (8)		of		6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	and 7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		ies g Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	illy	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expirati Date	on	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$2.89	03/15/2012			A		14,000		(1)	03/15/2)22	Common Stock	14,000	\$0	14,000	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. 25% of the shares underlying this option vests on March 15, 2013. The remaining 75% of the shares underlying this option will then vest in equal monthly increments for the following 36 months through March 15, 2016.

Remarks:

Elmer A, Lai

03/19/2012

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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