

NVIDIA CORP
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
GAITHER JAMES C

(Last) (First) (Middle)

NVIDIA CORPORATION, 2701
SAN TOMAS EXPRESSWAY

(Street)

CA 95050

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NVIDIA CORP [NVDA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/01/2006

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)

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Amount		
				Code	V		
					Amount		
					(D)		
					Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.14	08/01/2006	A	30,000					(1)	07/31/2012	Common Stock	30,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.14	08/01/2006	A	10,000					(2)	07/31/2012	Common Stock	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GAITHER JAMES C NVIDIA CORPORATION 2701 SAN TOMAS EXPRESSWAY CA 95050	X			

Signatures

David M. Shannon,
Attorney-in-Fact

08/03/2006

__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).

Automatic grant in connection with service on the Board of Directors. The grant shall begin vesting on the second anniversary of the grant date and thereafter shall vest quarterly over one year, being fully vested in 2009, provided that the Reporting Person has attended at least 75% of the Board of Directors meetings in the two year period following the grant date. If the Reporting Person has not attended at least 75% of the Board of Directors meetings in the two year period following the grant date, the grant shall vest 30% on the third anniversary of the grant date, with the remaining 70% vesting on the fourth anniversary of the grant date. If the Reporting Person's service as a director terminates before the second anniversary of the grant date due to disability or death, the grant shall immediately vest and become exercisable on a quarterly pro rata basis.

Automatic grant in connection with service on a Committee of the Board of Directors. The grant shall vest on the first anniversary of the grant date, provided that the Reporting Person has attended at least 75% of the Committee meetings in the year following the grant date. If the Reporting Person has attended fewer than 75% of the Committee meetings in the year following the grant date, the grant shall vest 10% per year for each of the first three years after the grant, with the remaining 70% vesting on the fourth anniversary of the grant date. If the Reporting Person's service as a director terminates before the first anniversary of the grant date due to disability or death, the grant shall immediately vest and become exercisable on a monthly pro rata basis.

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