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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 \*  
Hsing Michael

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
MONOLITHIC POWER SYSTEMS INC [MPWR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
79 GREAT OAKS BLVD  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
10/25/2018

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
CEO

SAN JOSE, CA 95119  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	10/25/2018 <sup>(1)</sup>		M <sup>(1)</sup>		23,625 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$ 0
Common Stock	10/25/2018 <sup>(2)</sup>		M <sup>(2)</sup>		27,640 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	\$ 0
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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Am
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	Nun Sha
Performance Shares	(1)	10/25/2018		M(1)	23,625	(1) (1)	Common Stock	23
Performance Shares	(2)	10/25/2018		M(2)	27,640	(2) (2)	Common Stock	27
Restricted Stock Units (3)	(3)	10/25/2018		A(3)	108,000	(3) (3)	Common Stock	108

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hsing Michael 79 GREAT OAKS BLVD SAN JOSE, CA 95119	X		CEO	

## Signatures

By: Saria Tseng For: Michael Hsing 10/29/2018

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) On December 31, 2015, the reporting person was granted a target number of 138,743 performance units in four tranches subject to satisfaction of share price targets over the next four years. The vesting of performance units in the second, third and fourth tranches is also subject to the satisfaction of certain operational goals, as determined by the Compensation Committee. All performance units are subject to time based vesting and require service through January 1, 2020 or an earlier change in control. Once vested, one-third of the resulting shares have no sales restrictions and are sellable on January 1, 2020, one-third of the shares have sales restrictions until January 1, 2021 and one-third of the shares have sales restrictions until January 1, 2022. On October 25, 2018, the Compensation Committee determined one of the operational goals for the second tranche of performance units had been satisfied, which resulted in 23,625 units being credited, subject to time based vesting above.

(2) On December 31, 2015, the reporting person was granted a target number of 138,743 shares of performance units in four tranches subject to satisfaction of share price targets over the next four years. The vesting of performance units in the second, third and fourth tranches is also subject to the satisfaction of certain operational goals, as determined by the Compensation Committee. All performance units are

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subject to time based vesting and require service through January 1, 2020 or an earlier change in control. Once vested, one-third of the resulting shares have no sales restrictions and are sellable on January 1, 2020, one-third of the shares have sales restrictions until January 1, 2021 and one-third of the shares have sales restrictions until January 1, 2022. On October 25, 2018, the Compensation Committee determined one of the operational goals for the third tranche of performance units had been satisfied, which resulted in 27,640 units being credited, subject to time based vesting.

- On October 25, 2018, the reporting person was granted a target number of 21,600 performance units and can earn up to a maximum of 108,000 performance units subject to satisfaction of share price targets ranging from \$140 to \$172 over the performance periods from October 25, 2018 to December 31, 2023, as determined by the Compensation Committee of the Company. All performance units are
- (3) subject to time based vesting and require service through January 1, 2024 or an earlier change in control. Once vested, performance units convert into shares of common stock on a 1-for-1 basis and one-third of the resulting shares have no sales restrictions and are sellable on January 1, 2024, one-third of the shares have sales restrictions until January 1, 2025 and one-third of the shares have sales restrictions until January 1, 2026.

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