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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 *
Smith Stephen M

(Last) (First) (Middle)
ONE LAGOON DRIVE
(Street)

REDWOOD CITY, CA 94065

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
EQUINIX INC [EQIX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/06/2012

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)
CEO & President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common Stock | 03/06/2012 | | M | 5,103 A | \$ 0 | 57,069 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2012 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 5,103 D | \$ 134.62 | 51,966 | 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. 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 03/06/2012 | | A | 5,103 | (2) (3) | Common Stock | 5,103 |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 03/06/2012 | | M | 5,103 | (2) (3) | Common Stock | 5,103 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Smith Stephen M ONE LAGOON DRIVE REDWOOD CITY, CA 94065 | | | CEO & President | |

Signatures

Darrin B. Short,
Attorney-in-Fact

03/08/2012

__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) Shares were sold pursuant to a 10b5-1 Trading Plan.

(2) Under the 2011 Annual Incentive Plan, subject to meeting performance criteria, the reporting person was eligible to receive a bonus to be paid in the form of fully-vested restricted stock units. The Compensation Committee has determined that the performance criteria were attained, and therefore 100% of the award was granted on March 6, 2012 as reported in this Form 4.

(3) Restricted stock unit award expires upon reporting person's termination of employment.

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