Portnoy Alan H Form 4 February 28, 2012

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Portnoy Alan H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(First) (Middle) NETLIST INC [NLST] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

C/O NETLIST, INC., 51 DISCOVERY, SUITE 150

(Month/Day/Year) 02/24/2012

Officer (give title Other (specify below)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

IRVINE, CA 92618

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

Derivative

Security

Conversion

or Exercise

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

Execution Date, if

any

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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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4.

(Month/Day/Year)

5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date** Code Securities (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8 **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	-	Acquired or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	ed of				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.28	02/24/2012		A		20,000		<u>(1)</u>	02/24/2022	Common Stock	20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Portnoy Alan H C/O NETLIST, INC. 51 DISCOVERY, SUITE 150 IRVINE, CA 92618	X						

Signatures

/s/ Alan H. Portnoy by Gail Sasaki,
Attorney-in-Fact 02/28/2012

**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) The options vest in sixteen equal quarterly installments beginning on May 24, 2012.

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