

CARTER LARRY R  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
CARTER LARRY R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

170 WEST TASMAN DRIVE

(Street)

SAN JOSE, CA 95134

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CISCO SYSTEMS, INC. [CSCO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/08/2012

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)

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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/20/2011		G	V 59,244 D \$ 0	31,581	D	
Common Stock	12/20/2011		G	V 59,244 A \$ 0	61,832	I	by Trust (1)
Common Stock	03/08/2012		M(2)	250,000 A \$ 13.04	281,581	D	
Common Stock	03/08/2012		S(2)	250,000 D \$ 19.6715 (3)	31,581	D	
Common Stock					3,400	I	by Carter Living

Trust

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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.04	03/08/2012		M <sup>(2)</sup>	250,000	04/10/2004 <sup>(4)</sup> 04/10/2012	Common Stock	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CARTER LARRY R 170 WEST TASMAN DRIVE SAN JOSE, CA 95134		X		

## Signatures

/s/ Larry R. Carter by Evan Sloves,  
Attorney-in-Fact 03/09/2012

\_\_\_\_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 held by the Carter Revocable Trust dated October 18, 1994.
- (2) This transaction was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 plan adopted by the reporting person on March 24, 2011.  
Represents a weighted average sales price per share. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$19.54 to \$19.78. The reporting person has provided to the issuer, and undertakes to provide to the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission or any security holder of the issuer, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range.
- (4)

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The option vested as to twenty percent (20%) of the shares on the one (1) year anniversary of the grant date, and as to the remaining eighty percent (80%) of the shares thereafter in forty-eight (48) successive equal monthly installments.

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