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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549
FORM 3 INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
Lin, Judy
487 East Middlefield Road

Mountain View, CA 94043
2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)
1/8/2003
3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)
4. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
VeriSign, Inc. (VRSN)
5. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
EVP and GM,
Security Services: ISG
6. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1) Title of Security	2) Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	3) D or I	4) Nature of Indirect or Beneficial Ownership
Common Stock	53,989	D	Direct

Table II Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1) Title of Derivative Security	2) Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3) Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security	4) Conversion or exercise price of Derivative Security	5) Ownership Form of Derivative Security Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	6) Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	06/27/04	Common Stock	20,624	\$0.5625 D Direct
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	12/19/04	Common Stock	18,000	\$2.0000 D Direct
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	08/17/05	Common Stock	21,096	\$6.8750 D Direct
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	(2)	07/30/06	Common Stock	3,708	\$37.0625 D Direct
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	(3)	08/01/07	Common Stock	661	\$151.2500 D Direct
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	08/17/05	Common Stock	4,904	\$6.8750 D Direct
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(4)	05/24/09	Common Stock	50,000	\$10.0800 D Direct
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(5)	03/05/06	Common Stock	136,000	\$26.0625 D Direct
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(6)	07/30/06	Common Stock	16,292	\$37.0625 D Direct
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(3)	08/01/07	Common Stock	79,339	\$151.2500 D Direct
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	12/13/03	Common Stock	27,500	\$0.3750 D Direct

Explanation of Responses:

(1)
Immediately

(2)
1,010 options are exercisable immediately and 2,698 options vest and become exercisable on July 30, 2003.

(3)

Option to purchase 80,000 shares granted August 1, 2000, will become exercisable as to 25% of the aggregate number of shares granted on 08/01/2001, and as to an additional 6.25% of the aggregate number of shares granted each succeeding quarter thereafter until fully vested.

(4)

25% of the total options granted vest and become exercisable one year after the date of grant and thereafter with respect to 6.25% of the shares each quarter until fully vested.

(5)

126,000 options are exercisable immediately and thereafter with respect to 6.25% of the shares each quarter until fully vested.

(6)

15,240 options are exercisable immediately and 1,052 options vest and become exercisable on July 30, 2003.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

/S/ By: Donald T Rozak Jr, as attorney-in-fact

For: Judy Lin

DATE 01/15/03