

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>MCLAUGHLIN MARK D</u> _____ (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>487 EAST MIDDLEFIELD ROAD</u> _____ (Street) <u>MOUNTAIN VIEW CA 94043</u> _____ (City) (State) (Zip)			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>VERISIGN INC/CA [VRSN]</u>		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Senior Vice President</u>	
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/17/2004</u>			
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$33.38	12/17/2004		A		25,000		12/17/2005 ⁽¹⁾	12/17/2011	Common Stock	25,000	\$0	25,000	D	
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$97.7969							04/15/2001 ⁽²⁾	04/15/2007	Common Stock	3,066		3,066	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$10.08							05/24/2003 ⁽³⁾	05/24/2009	Common Stock	18,750		18,750	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$12.88							09/26/2004 ⁽⁴⁾	09/26/2010	Common Stock	49,500		49,500	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$13.79							03/15/2002 ⁽⁵⁾	03/15/2008	Common Stock	6,250		6,250	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$13.79							09/06/2002 ⁽⁶⁾	09/06/2008	Common Stock	25,000		25,000	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$13.79							02/21/2003 ⁽⁷⁾	02/21/2009	Common Stock	50,000		50,000	D	

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(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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$17.36							08/31/2005 ⁽⁸⁾	08/31/2011	Common Stock	72,000		72,000	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$97.7969							04/15/2001 ⁽²⁾	04/15/2007	Common Stock	21,934		21,934	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$151.25							08/01/2001 ⁽²⁾	08/01/2007	Common Stock	50,000		50,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Twenty-five percent (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.
- Immediately
- 25% of the options vested and became exercisable on 05/24/03, and thereafter with respect to 6.25% of the shares each quarter from the date of grant.
- 25% of the options vested and became exercisable on 09/26/04, and thereafter with respect to 6.25% of the shares each quarter from the date of grant.
- This is an option regrant under the VeriSign Offer to Exchange Outstanding Options to Purchase Common Stock dated November 27, 2002. Twenty-five (25%) percent of the total option vested and became exercisable on March 15, 2002 and vests thereafter with respect to 6.25% of the option each quarter until fully vested.
- This is an option regrant under the VeriSign Offer to Exchange Outstanding Options to Purchase Common Stock dated November 27, 2002. Twenty-five (25%) percent of the total option vested and became exercisable on September 6, 2002 and vests thereafter with respect to 6.25% of the option each quarter until fully vested.
- This is an option regrant under the VeriSign Offer to Exchange Outstanding Options to Purchase Common Stock dated November 27, 2002. Twenty-five (25%) percent of the total option vested and became exercisable on February 21, 2003 and vests thereafter with respect to 6.25% of the option each quarter until fully vested.
- Twenty-five percent (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.

By: Donald T Rozak Jr. as
attorney-in-fact For: Mark D. McLaughlin 12/20/2004

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

* 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).

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