

CAREY DALE A
Form 4
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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 *
CAREY DALE A

(Last) (First) (Middle)
400 REGENCY FOREST DRIVE
(Street)

CARY, NC 27511

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SPECTRASITE INC [SSI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
10/18/2004

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
President-Wireless Division

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X 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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	10/18/2004		M ⁽¹⁾	12,000 A \$ 13.075	12,000	D	
Common Stock	10/18/2004		S ⁽¹⁾	12,000 D \$ 48.0553	0	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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.075 (2)	10/18/2004		M(1)	12,000 (2)	(3) 03/12/2013	Common Stock 12,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CAREY DALE A 400 REGENCY FOREST DRIVE CARY, NC 27511			President-Wireless Division	

Signatures

/s/ Kathryn M. Samuelson,
Attorney-in-fact
10/20/2004

__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 sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on October 13, 2003.
- (2) As of August 21, 2003, the Issuer effected a 2-for-1 stock split of its common stock, which is reflected in the number provided.
The options shall vest and become exercisable in the following manner: (i) 20% of the aggregate option shares as of the Grant Date; (ii) 1/36 of 50% of the aggregate option shares on each of the first thirty-six monthly anniversaries of the Grant Date; and (iii) 30% of the
- (3) aggregate option shares on the sixth anniversary of the Grant Date or sooner, in equal annual amounts for the fiscal years ending December 31, 2003, December 31, 2004 and December 31, 2005, subject to the achievement of certain annual performance criterion for such fiscal years.

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