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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement VIASAT INC [VSAT] NIXON BRANDON L (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2008 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 6155 EL CAMINO REAL (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person CARLSBAD, CAÂ 92009 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Senior Vice President Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â \$.0001 par value common stock 5,876 Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		or Exercise For Price of D	Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
						Derivative	
	Date Expiration Exercisable Date	Expiration	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative	Security:	
					Security	Direct (D)	
		Date				or Indirect	

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
stock option right to buy	(1)	10/11/2012	common stock	7,500	\$ 26.15	D	Â
restricted stock units	(2)	(3)	common stock	1,875 (4)	\$ 0	D	Â
stock option right to buy	(5)	01/14/2014	common	50,000	\$ 22.78	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
reporting of their removers	Director 10% Owner		Officer	Other		
NIXON BRANDON L 6155 EL CAMINO REAL CARL SRAD Â CA Â 92009	Â	Â	Senior Vice President	Â		

Signatures

Brandon L.
Nixon

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 option vests in four (4) equal annual installments beginning on 10/11/2007.
- Subject to the reporting person's continued employment with the issuer, this award will vest and convert into shares of common stock of the issuer at the rate of 1/4th on the one year anniversary of the grant date; 1/4th on the second anniversary of the grant date; 1/4th on the third anniversary of the grant date and 1/4th on the fourth anniversary of the grant date. The RSU's were granted on 10/11/2006 and 1/4 (65 shares) vested on 10/11/2007.
- (3) Until vested, the restricted stock unit shall be subject to forfeiture in the event of termination of employment with the issuer.
- (4) A total of 2,500 restricted stock units were granted on 10/11/2006 of which 1/4 (625) shares vested and converted to common stock on 10/11/2007.
- (5) The option vests in four (4) equal annual installments beginning on 01/14/2009.

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