NVIDIA CORP Form 4 August 03, 2006

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GAITHER JAMES C

(First)

NVIDIA CORPORATION, 2701

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

NVIDIA CORP [NVDA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2006

SAN TOMAS EXPRESSWAY

(Middle)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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January 31,

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

2005

0.5

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting

CA 95050

(Last)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of TransactionAcquired (A) or Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned (I) (Instr. 4) Following Reported

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 2. 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amour Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securit** Security or Exercise any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	ed of				
				Code V	(A)	` /	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.14	08/01/2006		A	30,000		<u>(1)</u>	07/31/2012	Common Stock	30,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.14	08/01/2006		A	10,000		(2)	07/31/2012	Common Stock	10,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
GAITHER JAMES C NVIDIA CORPORATION 2701 SAN TOMAS EXPRESSWAY CA 95050	X						

Signatures

David M. Shannon, Attorney-in-Fact 08/03/2006

**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).

Automatic grant in connection with service on the Board of Directors. The grant shall begin vesting on the second anniversary of the grant date and thereafter shall vest quarterly over one year, being fully vested in 2009, provided that the Reporting Person has attended at

least 75% of the Board of Directors meetings in the two year period following the grant date. If the Reporting Person has not attended at

- (1) least 75% of the Board of Directors meetings in the two year period following the grant date, the grant shall vest 30% on the third anniversary of the grant date, with the remaining 70% vesting on the fourth anniversary of the grant date. If the Reporting Person's service as a director terminates before the second anniversary of the grant date due to disability or death, the grant shall immediately vest and become exercisable on a quarterly pro rata basis.
 - Automatic grant in connection with service on a Committee of the Board of Directors. The grant shall vest on the first anniversary of the grant date, provided that the Reporting Person has attended at least 75% of the Committee meetings in the year following the grant date.
- (2) If the Reporting Person has attended fewer than 75% of the Committee meetings in the year following the grant date, the grant shall vest 10% per year for each of the first three years after the grant, with the remaining 70% vesting on the fourth anniversary of the grant date. If the Reporting Person's service as a director terminates before the first anniversary of the grant date due to disability or death, the grant shall immediately vest and become exercisable on a monthly pro rata basis.

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