

JOHNSTON PAUL R  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
JOHNSTON PAUL R

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
149 COMMONWEATH DRIVE  
(Street)

MENLO PARK, CA 94025

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
EXPONENT INC [EXPO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/14/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
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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	03/14/2012		M		5,000	A	\$ 12.015 74,450
Common Stock	03/14/2012		S		5,000	D	\$ 48.1935 69,450
Common Stock	03/14/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>		10,144	A	<u>(2)</u> 79,594
Common Stock	03/14/2012		F <sup>(3)</sup>		4,661	D	\$ 47.86 74,933

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.015	03/14/2012		M	5,000	<u>(4)</u> 03/01/2015	Common Stock 5
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(5)</u>	03/14/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>	10,144	03/14/2012 03/14/2012	Common Stock 10

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
JOHNSTON PAUL R 149 COMMONWEATH DRIVE MENLO PARK, CA 94025	X		President & CEO	

## Signatures

By: Wendy Whitehouse For: Paul R. Johnston 03/16/2012

\*\*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) Reflects the conversion of shares of vested Restricted Stock Units granted on March 14, 2008 into shares of Common Stock on a 1:1 basis.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) Reflects shares of common stock withheld by the Company to satisfy the tax withholding obligations of the Reporting Person.
- (4) The stock option becomes exercisable in four equal annual installments.
- (5) See Footnote 1.

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