FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     SOUISSI SLIM S						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NOVATEL WIRELESS INC [ NVTL ]								neck all appl	icable)	g Pers	son(s) to Issi 10% Ow Other (s	/ner
(Last) 9255 TO SUITE 2		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/16/2004								X Office below	рсспу							
(Street) SAN DIEGO CA 92121						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(S	state)	(Zip)															
		Tak	ole I - No	n-Deriv	vativ	e Se	curit	ties Ac	quired	Dis	posed o	f, or Be	neficia	lly Owne	t			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/Date)						Execution Date,			Code		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)			Benefic Owned	es ially Following	Form (D) o	n: Direct or Indirect onstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reporte Transa (Instr. 3	ction(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 08/16/							2004		M <sup>(1)</sup>		45,000	0 A	\$2.6	5 45	45,287		D	
Common Stock 08/16/							2004		S <sup>(1)</sup>		45,000 D \$		\$18.	16 2	287(2)		D	
			Table II -								osed of, convertil			/ Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transactic Code (Inst				6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		of Securiti		ies g Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactic (Instr. 4)	e S Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)
				Code		v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to	\$2.65	08/16/2004			M <sup>(1)</sup>			45,000	12/26/20	03	06/26/2013	Common Stock	45,000	(3)	76,290	0	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- $1. \ These \ options \ were \ exercised \ and \ the \ underlying \ shares \ were \ sold \ pursuant \ to \ a \ 10b5-1 \ Sales \ Plan.$
- 2. Includes 267 shares acquired on August 13, 2004 pursuant to the Amended and Restated Novatel Wireless, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- 3. Option granted pursuant to the Novatel Wireless, Inc. Amended and Restated 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.

By: Patrick T. Waters For: Slim 08/18/2004 Souissi

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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