FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LEPARULO PETER V</u>							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NOVATEL WIRELESS INC [ NVTL ]									lationship o ck all applic Directo	10% Owner			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 9255 TOWNE CENTRE DRIVE SUITE 225					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/03/2004										below)	(give title	ve title Other (specibelow)  of Executive Officer		pecify	
(Street) SAN DIEGO CA 92121 (City) (State) (Zip)					- 4. l <sup>-</sup>	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										Form fi	al or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					saction	ear)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			3. Fransacti Code (Ins	on	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)			or 5. Amour 4 and Securitie Beneficia Owned F		s ally ollowing	Form (D) o	n: Direct c r Indirect E sstr. 4) (	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									С	Code V		Amount	(A) o (D)	r Pr	ice	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 09/03/						2004			N	M <sup>(1)</sup>		15,000	0 A	4	31.01	53,	53,846		D	
Common Stock 09/03/						4				S <sup>(1)</sup>		15,000	0 D	\$	20.68	38,	,846		D	
			Table II -										or Ben ble secu			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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				Expi	ate Exer viration D nth/Day/	ate	of Sec Underl Deriva		Title and Amount Securities nderlying erivative Security sstr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	s Silly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exe	e ercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amo or Num of Sha						
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to	\$1.01	09/03/2004			M <sup>(1)</sup>			15,000	07/1	13/2003	05	5/07/2013	Common Stock	15,	000	(2)	531,72	.4	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- $1. \ These \ options \ were \ exercised \ and \ the \ underlying \ shares \ were \ sold \ pursuant \ to \ a \ 10b5-1 \ Sales \ Plan.$
- 2. Option granted pursuant to the Novatel Wireless, Inc. Amended and Restated 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.

By: Patrick T. Waters For: Peter 09/08/2004 V. Leparulo

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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