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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * O'BRIGHT PATRICK J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NOVATEL WIRELESS INC [NVTL]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) VP Ops. & GM		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/29/2004			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
9255 TOWNE CENTRE DRIVE SUITE 225			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
(Street) SAN DIEGO CA 92121								
(City) (State) (Zip)								

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			

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$16.27	04/29/2004		A		7,991		(1)	04/29/2014	Common Stock	7,991	(2)	7,991	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$16.27	04/29/2004		A		92,009		(1)	04/29/2014	Common Stock	92,009	(2)	92,009	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 20% of the options subject to this grant vest 6 months following the vesting commencement date and 1/30th of the balance of the grant vests monthly thereafter. The vesting commencement date with respect to the Reporting Person was March 19, 2004.
- Option granted pursuant to the Novatel Wireless, Inc. Amended and Restated 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.

By: Patrick T. Waters For: 08/09/2004
Patrick J. O'Bright

** 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).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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