

Sherman J Donald  
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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 \*  
 Sherman J Donald

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES INC  
 [AKAM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 01/19/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
 \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 CFO

C/O AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC., 8 CAMBRIDGE CENTER

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |   |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|---|
|   |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |   |
|   |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V   | Amount   |                                   |   |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 01/19/2012                           |  | M                              | 2,086   | A   | \$ 0   | 86,021                            | D |

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 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable Expiration Date                         | Title Amount or Number of Shares                              |
| Restricted Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>      | \$ 0   | 01/19/2012                           |  | A                              | 30,590  | <sup>(2)</sup> <sup>(4)</sup>                            | Common Stock 30,590   |
| Restricted Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>      | \$ 0   | 01/19/2012                           |  | A                              | 30,590  | <sup>(3)</sup> <sup>(4)</sup>                            | Common Stock 30,590   |
| Restricted Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>      | \$ 0   | 01/19/2012                           |  | M                              | 3,202   | <sup>(2)</sup> <sup>(4)</sup>                            | Common Stock 3,202  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Sherman J Donald<br>C/O AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC.<br>8 CAMBRIDGE CENTER<br>CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142 |               |           | CFO     |       |

## Signatures

/s/ JD Sherman 01/23/2012

<sup>(1)</sup>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) Each Restricted Stock Unit ("RSU") represents the right to receive one share of common stock upon vesting.
- (2) RSUs vest in three equal 33% installments on the first, second and third anniversaries of the grant date.  
Vesting of such RSUs is dependent on Akamai's achievement of a specified normalized earnings per share target for fiscal year 2012 and
- (3) certain designated mission critical goals. To the extent such targets are met, the RSUs will vest in two equal 50% installments on the second and third anniversaries of the grant date.
- (4) Not applicable.

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