

Strelzick Paul
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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 *
Strelzick Paul

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SolarWinds, Inc. [SWI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)

C/O SOLARWINDS, INC., 3711 S. MOPAC EXPY., BLDG. TWO

09/13/2011

Senior VP, Worldwide Sales

(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

AUSTIN, TX 78746

(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 | | | |
| Common Stock | 09/13/2011 | | M | 4,500 A \$ 4.48 | 48,377 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/13/2011 | | S | 1,500 (1) D \$ 21.9973 (2) | 46,877 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/13/2011 | | S | 3,000 (1) D \$ 22.7315 (3) | 43,877 | 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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 4.48 | 09/13/2011 | | M | 4,500 | (4) 01/23/2018 | Common Stock | 4,500 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Strelzick Paul C/O SOLARWINDS, INC. 3711 S. MOPAC EXPY., BLDG. TWO AUSTIN, TX 78746 | | | Senior VP, Worldwide Sales | |

Signatures

/s/ Bryan A. Sims,
Attorney-in-Fact

09/14/2011

__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) Shares sold pursuant to a 10b5-1 Trading Plan.

(2) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$21.39 to \$22.34, inclusive. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares sold and each separate price within the range set forth in footnotes (2) and (3) to this form.

(3)

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This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$22.39 to \$23.03, inclusive. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price.

- (4) 1/4th of the shares vested and became exercisable on January 23, 2009 and 1/48th vest and become exercisable each month thereafter.

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