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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Monserrat Alvaro		(Month/Day/Year)	CITRIX SYSTEMS INC [CTXS]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
		07/10/2008		
851 WEST CYPRESS CREEK ROAD			(Check all applicable)	
	(Street)		<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
			(give title below)	(specify below)
			SVP, Sales and Services	
FORT LAUDERDALE,Â FLÂ 33309			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	20,000	D	Â
Common Stock <sup>(4)</sup>	3,333	D	Â
Common Stock <sup>(5)</sup>	5,100	D	Â
Common Stock <sup>(4)</sup>	2,000	D	Â
Common Stock	90	D	Â

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**



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- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Stock options vest at a rate of 25% of the shares underlying the stock option one year from the date of grant and at a rate of 1/48th monthly thereafter.
- (2) Stock options vest at a rate of 33% of the shares underlying the stock option one year from the date of grant and at a rate of 1/36th monthly thereafter.
- (3) These shares of common stock are issuable pursuant to awards of restricted stock units that vest on October 1, 2009.
- (4) These shares of common stock are issuable pursuant to awards of restricted stock units that vest in three annual installments, with 33.4% vesting on the first anniversary of the grant date and 33.3% vesting on each of the second and third anniversaries of the grant date.
- (5) These shares of common stock are issuable pursuant to awards of performance-based restricted stock units that vest in three annual installments on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the grant date (October 1, 2007).

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