

DANKBERG MARK D
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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 *
DANKBERG MARK D

(Last) (First) (Middle)

6155 EL CAMINO REAL

(Street)

CARLSBAD, CA 92009

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
VIASAT INC [VSAT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/12/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chief Executive Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| \$.0001 par value common stock | 12/12/2011 | | M | | 8,750 | A | \$ 0 |
| \$.0001 par value common stock | 12/12/2011 | | F ⁽¹⁾ | | 4,084 | D | \$ 47.88 |
| \$.0001 par value common stock | 11/10/2011 | | G ⁽²⁾ | | 4,666 | D | \$ 0 |

\$.0001 par value common stock 11/10/2011 G 4,666 A \$ 0 1,522,713 I By Trust

\$.0001 par value common stock 786 I By 401(k)

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|----------------------------|----|
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| | | | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | | | |
| restricted stock unit | \$ 0 | 12/12/2011 | | M | 8,750 | (3) | (4) | common stock | 8,750 | \$ |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| DANKBERG MARK D 6155 EL CAMINO REAL CARLSBAD, CA 92009 | X | | Chief Executive Officer | |

Signatures

Mark D. Dankberg 12/15/2011

**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) This entry represents the number of shares of ViaSat, Inc. common stock withheld by the Issuer to satisfy the tax withholding obligation of the Reporting Person. These shares were not sold by the Reporting Person but were instead offset from the total number of vested shares received by the Reporting Person from the Issuer.

(2) The restricted stock unit was granted to Mark Dankberg, an officer of ViaSat, Inc. Upon vesting the shares were contributed to The Dankberg Family Trust.

(3) The original restricted stock unit grant was for 35,000 restricted stock units on 11/10/2010. Subject to the Reporting Person's election to defer the receipt of the common stock, the units vest and convert into shares of common stock (on a 1-for-1 basis) at the rate of 1/4 on the 13th month anniversary of the grant date; 1/4 on the second anniversary of the grant date; 1/4 on the third anniversary and 1/4 on the fourth anniversary of the grant date.

(4) Until vested, the restricted stock unit shall be subject to forfeiture in the event of termination of employment with the issuer.

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