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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading WATKINS CORY M Issuer Symbol AUGUST TECHNOLOGY CORP (Check all applicable) [AUGT] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 4900 WEST 78TH STREET 02/15/2006 Chief Technology Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **BLOOMINGTON, MN 55435** Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code Amount (D) Price Common 02/15/2006 D 12,468 D (1) 0 D Stock

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)

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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)	` *		te Underlying Securiti		Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.37	02/15/2006		D	84	(2)	12/31/2006	Common Stock	84
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.37	02/15/2006		D	1,500	(3)	12/31/2006	Common Stock	1,500
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.15	02/15/2006		D	3,000	<u>(4)</u>	01/31/2007	Common Stock	3,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 10.44	02/15/2006		D	1,000	<u>(5)</u>	05/15/2007	Common Stock	1,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.24	02/15/2006		D	1,500	<u>(6)</u>	07/12/2008	Common Stock	1,500
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.19	02/15/2006		D	3,900	<u>(7)</u>	10/05/2008	Common Stock	3,900
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.75	02/15/2006		D	6,000	<u>(8)</u>	10/25/2009	Common Stock	6,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.3	02/15/2006		D	4,385	<u>(9)</u>	12/19/2009	Common Stock	4,385
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.45	02/15/2006		D	2,134	<u>(10)</u>	02/06/2014	Common Stock	2,134

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Stock Option (right to	\$ 18.49	02/15/2006	D	5,480	(11)	02/13/2014	Common Stock	5,480
buy) Stock Option (right to	\$ 18.49	02/15/2006	D	4,520	(12)	02/13/2014	Common Stock	4,520
buy)							Stock	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 10.36	02/15/2006	D	10,000	(13)	07/30/2014	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.62	02/15/2006	D	1,499	(14)	10/22/2014	Common Stock	1,499
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 10.38	02/15/2006	D	15,000	(15)	12/30/2014	Common Stock	15,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.1	02/15/2006	D	3,654	(16)	03/07/2015	Common Stock	3,654
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.74	02/15/2006	D	942	(17)	07/21/2015	Common Stock	942
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.29	02/15/2006	D	16,352	(18)	01/25/2016	Common Stock	16,352

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
reporting of their remark requires	Director 10% Owner		Officer	Other	
WATKINS CORY M					
4900 WEST 78TH STREET			Chief Technology Officer		
BLOOMINGTON, MN 55435					

Signatures

/s/ Robert K. Ranum as Agent for Cory M. Watkins pursuant to Power of Attorney previously filed 02/15/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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).
 - The shares were disposed of pursuant to a merger agreement by and among the Issuer, Rudolph Technologies, Inc. ("Rudolph") and NS Merger Sub, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Rudolph (the "Merger"), in exchange for (i) up to 9,506 shares of Rudolph common stock have a market value of \$17.92 per share on the effective date of the Merger, representing 0.7625 shares of Rudolph common stock
- (1) per share of the Issuer's stock, or (ii) a cash payment of up to \$130,914, representing \$10.50 per share of the Issuer's stock, or (iii) a combination of shares and cash in amounts determined according to the election of the reporting person, if any, and the proration and allocation procedures set forth in the merger agreement; the determination of the allocation of shares and cash will be made on or about February 22, 2006.
- (2) The option, which was fully vested, was assumed by Rudolph in the Merger and replaced with an option to purchase 64 shares of Rudolph common stock for \$3.11 per share.
- (3) The option, which was fully vested, was assumed by Rudolph in the Merger and replaced with an option to purchase 1,143 shares of Rudolph common stock for \$3.11 per share.
- (4) The option, which was fully vested, was assumed by Rudolph in the Merger and replaced with an option to purchase 2,287 shares of Rudolph common stock for \$8.07 per share.
- (5) The option, which was fully vested, was assumed by Rudolph in the Merger and replaced with an option to purchase 762 shares of Rudolph common stock for \$13.70 per share.
- (6) The option, which was fully vested, was assumed by Rudolph in the Merger and replaced with an option to purchase 1,143 shares of Rudolph common stock for \$17.37 per share.
- (7) The option, which provided for annual vesting of 1/3 of the shares beginning October 5, 2004, was assumed by Rudolph in the Merger and replaced with a fully vested option to purchase 2,973 shares of Rudolph common stock for \$12.06 per share.
- (8) The option, which provided for annual vesting of 1/3 of the shares beginning October 25, 2004, was assumed by Rudolph in the Merger and replaced with a fully vested option to purchase 4,575 shares of Rudolph common stock for \$6.23 per share.
- (9) The option, which was fully vested, was assumed by Rudolph in the Merger and replaced with an option to purchase 3,343 shares of Rudolph common stock for \$5.64 per share.
- (10) The option, which was fully vested, was assumed by Rudolph in the Merger and replaced with an option to purchase 1,627 shares of Rudolph common stock for \$24.20 per share.
- (11) The option, which was fully vested, was assumed by Rudolph in the Merger and replaced with an option to purchase 4,178 shares of Rudolph common stock for \$24.25 per share.
- (12) The option, which was fully vested, was assumed by Rudolph in the Merger and replaced with an option to purchase 3,446 shares of Rudolph common stock for \$24.25 per share.
- The option, which provided for vesting in annual increments of 20% of the shares beginning July 30, 2004, was assumed by Rudolph in (13) the Merger and replaced with an option to purchase 7,625 shares of Rudolph common stock for \$13.59 per share with the same vesting terms.
- (14) The option, which was fully vested, was assumed by Rudolph in the Merger and replaced with an option to purchase 1,142 shares of Rudolph common stock for \$10.00 per share.
- The option, which provided for vesting of 34% of the shares on December 30, 2004 and 33% on December 30, 2005 and 2006, was assumed by Rudolph in the Merger and replaced with an option to purchase 11,437 shares of Rudolph common stock for \$13.62 per share with the same vesting terms.
- (16) The option, which was fully vested, was assumed by Rudolph in the Merger and replaced with an option to purchase 2,786 shares of Rudolph common stock for \$15.87 per share.
- The option, which was fully vested, was assumed by Rudolph in the Merger and replaced with an option to purchase 718 shares of Rudolph common stock for \$16.71 per share.
- The option, which provided for vesting in annual increments of 20% of the shares beginning January 25, 2006, was assumed by Rudolph (18) in the Merger and replaced with an option to purchase 12,468 shares of Rudolph common stock for \$14.81 per share with the same vesting terms.

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