

NETSMART TECHNOLOGIES INC  
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
(AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_) \*

Netsmart Technologies, Inc.

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(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share

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(Title of Class of Securities)

64114W306

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(CUSIP Number)

September 28, 2005

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(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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1. Names of Reporting Persons.  
I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).

John A. Paton

2. Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)  
(a)

(b)

3. SEC Use Only

4. Citizenship or Place of Organization

United States of America

Number of	5.	Sole Voting Power
Shares		347,192
Beneficially	6.	Shared Voting Power
Owned by		0
Each	7.	Sole Dispositive Power
Reporting		347,192
Person With:	8.	Shared Dispositive Power
		0

9. Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

347,192

10. Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares  
(See Instructions)

Not Applicable

11. Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

6.0% (Based on 5,830,935 shares of the Issuer's common stock outstanding as of October 4, 2005)

12. Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

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ITEM 1(a).           NAME OF ISSUER:  
  
                  Netsmart Technologies, Inc.

ITEM 1(b).           ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES:  
  
                  3500 Sunrise Highway  
                  Great River, New York 11739

ITEM 2(a).           NAME OF PERSON FILING:  
  
                  John A. Paton

ITEM 2(b).           ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE:  
  
                  P.O. Box 729  
                  Dublin, Ohio 43017

ITEM 2(c).           CITIZENSHIP:  
  
                  United States of America

ITEM 2(d).           TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES:  
  
                  Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share

ITEM 2(e).           CUSIP NO.:  
  
                  64114W306

ITEM 3.             IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1(b), OR  
                  13D-2(b) OR (c), CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A:  
  
                  Not Applicable.

ITEM 4.             OWNERSHIP:

                  (a)   Amount Beneficially Owned:  
  
                          347,192 shares of common stock (1)

                  (b)   Percent of Class:  
  
                          6.0% (Based on 5,830,935 shares of the Issuer's common stock  
                          outstanding as of October 4, 2005) (1)

                  (c)   Number of shares as to which the person filing has:

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- (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote:  
347,192 shares of common stock (1)
- (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote:  
0
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:  
347,192 shares of common stock (1)
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:  
0

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(1) On September 20, 2005, the Issuer entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement") with CMHC Systems, Inc. ("CMHC") and Hayes Acquisition Corp., a newly-formed wholly-owned subsidiary of the Issuer ("Acquisition"). Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, upon consummation of the merger of Acquisition with and into CMHC, the owners of CMHC common stock and common stock warrants were entitled to receive, among other consideration, cash and .45175 shares of the Issuer's common stock in exchange for each of their CMHC common shares and common stock warrants. On September 28, 2005, the acquisition was consummated, and John A. Paton became entitled to receive 347,192 shares of the Issuer's common stock (6.0%), as to which he holds sole voting power and sole dispositive power.

ITEM 5. OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS:

Not Applicable.

ITEM 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON:

Not Applicable.

ITEM 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY OR CONTROL PERSON:

Not Applicable.

ITEM 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP:

Not Applicable.

ITEM 9. NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP:

Not Applicable.

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ITEM 10. CERTIFICATIONS:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: October 7, 2005

By: /s/ John A. Paton

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John A. Paton