

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Peppard Denise M.</u> _____ (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>2980 FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE</u> _____ (Street) <u>FALLS CHURCH VA 22042</u> _____ (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>NORTHROP GRUMMAN CORP /DE/ [NOC]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Corp VP & Chf HR Ofcr</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/13/2018</u>	
		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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	02/13/2018		M		10,060.5 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$0.0000	38,613.12	D	
Common Stock	02/13/2018		S		2,539 ⁽²⁾	D	\$335.12	36,074.12	D	
Common Stock	02/13/2018		F		4,374 ⁽³⁾	D	\$0.0000	31,700.12	D	

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Performance Stock Rights	(4)	02/13/2018		A		6,933.5 ⁽⁵⁾		(4)	(4)	Common Stock	6,933.5	\$0.0000	25,000.5 ⁽⁶⁾	D	
Restricted Performance Stock Rights	(4)	02/13/2018		M		10,060.5 ⁽¹⁾		(4)	(4)	Common Stock	10,060.5	\$0.0000	14,940 ⁽⁷⁾	D	
Restricted Stock Rights	(8)	02/13/2018		A		1,626		(8)	(8)	Common Stock	1,626	\$0.0000	9,759 ⁽⁹⁾	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Shares expected to be issued in settlement of Restricted Performance Stock Rights ("RPSRs") granted under the 2011 Long-Term Incentive Stock Plan ("LTISP") on 2/18/15 with a valuation of performance measurement period ("measurement period") that ended 12/31/17. RPSRs to be settled at 150% of target. The shares are anticipated to be distributed into the participant's account on February 22, 2018.
- The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- Shares surrendered to issuer in payment of tax liability in connection with settlement of RPSRs in accordance with Rule 16b-3(e).
- Each RPSR represents a contingent right to receive an equivalent number of shares of Issuer common stock, or, at the Issuer's election, cash or a combination of cash and Issuer common stock. The RPSRs vest if the application performance metric is satisfied for the relevant measurement period. Grants awarded pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d).
- The RPSRs acquired include (i) 3,353.50 vested RPSRs with respect to the measurement period ended 12/31/17 acquired due to settlement of the 2015 RPSRs held at 150% of the target award and (ii) 3,580 unvested RPSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/13/18 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/20.
- Total amount includes 10,060.50 vested RPSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/18/15 with a measurement period ended on 12/31/17; 3,580 RPSRs granted on 2/13/18 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/20; 5,186 RPSRs granted on 2/17/17 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/19; and 6,174 RPSRs granted on 2/17/16 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/18.
- Total amount includes 3,580 RPSRs granted on 2/13/18 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/20; 5,186 RPSRs granted on 2/17/17 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/19; and 6,174 RPSRs granted on 2/17/16 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/18.
- Each Restricted Stock Right ("RSR") represents a contingent right to receive an equivalent number of shares of Issuer common stock, or, at the election of the Issuer's Compensation Committee, cash or a combination of cash and Issuer common stock. The RSRs were granted under the LTISP on 2/13/18 and will vest on 2/13/21.
- Total amount includes 1,626 RSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/13/18 that will vest on 2/13/21; 2,169 RSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/17/17 that will vest on 2/17/20; 2,801 RSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/17/16 that will vest on 2/17/19; and 3,163 RSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/18/15 that will vest on 2/18/18.

/s/ Jennifer C. McGarey,
Attorney-in-Fact

02/15/2018

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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