

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Hardesty Michael A</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 2980 FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE (Street) FALLS CHURCH VA 22042 (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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Corp VP, Controller & CAO
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/13/2018	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	

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		3,128.28 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$0.0000	12,678.64	D		
Common Stock	02/13/2018		F		1,097 ⁽²⁾	D	\$0.0000	11,581.64	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	(3)	02/13/2018		A		2,215.28 ⁽⁴⁾		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	2,215.28	\$0.0000	8,600.48 ⁽⁵⁾	D	
Restricted Performance Stock Rights	(3)	02/13/2018		M			3,128.28 ⁽¹⁾	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	3,128.28	\$0.0000	5,472.2 ⁽⁶⁾	D	
Restricted Stock Rights	(7)	02/13/2018		A		632		(7)	(7)	Common Stock	632	\$0.0000	3,367 ⁽⁸⁾	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 131% of target. The shares are anticipated to be distributed into the participant's account on February 22, 2018.
- 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) 740.28 vested RPSRs with respect to the measurement period ended 12/31/17 acquired due to settlement of the 2015 RPSRs held at 131% of the target award and (ii) 1,475 unvested RPSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/13/18 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/20.
- Total amount includes 3,128.28 vested RPSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/18/15 with a measurement period ended on 12/31/17; 1,475 RPSRs granted on 2/13/18 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/20; 1,786 RPSRs granted on 2/17/17 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/19; and 2,211 RPSRs granted on 2/17/16 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/18.
- Total amount includes 1,475 RPSRs granted on 2/13/18 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/20; 1,786 RPSRs granted on 2/17/17 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/19; and 2,211 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 632 RSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/13/18 that will vest on 2/13/21; 765 RSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/17/17 that will vest on 2/17/20; 947 RSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/17/16 that will vest on 2/17/19; and 1,023 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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