FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* Peppard Denise M. | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NORTHROP GRUMMAN CORP /DE/ [NOC] | | | | | | | | ionship of Re all applicable Director Officer (giv | e) | Person(s | s) to Issuer 10% Ow Other (s | · | |
|---|---|--|---|---|--|---|----------|-----------------------|--|--------------------|--|--|--|---|-------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| (Last) 2980 FAIF | (First) (Middle) FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/18/2015 | | | | | | | Corp VP & Chf HR Ofcr | | | | | |
| (Street) FALLS CHURCH VA 22042 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | 6. Indivi | 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 | -Deri | /ative | Securiti | es Acq | uired | , Disp | osed of, o | r Benefi | cially Ow | ned | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | | | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, | | 3. | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 ar | | | 5. Amount or Securities Beneficially Following Ro | Owned eported | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | |
| | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction((Instr. 3 and | | | | (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock 02 | | | | 02/18 | 8/2015 | | M | | 30,763.5(1) | A | \$0.0000 | 55,167.5 | | D | | | | |
| Common Stock 02/2 | | | | 02/18 | 8/2015 | | F | | 14,675(2) | D | \$167.68 | 40,492.5 | | D | | | | |
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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) | , Transaction Code (Instr. ar) 8) | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Insti 3, 4 and 5) | | Expiration (Month/Day | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivativ Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | 9. Numl derivati Securiti Benefic Owned | ve ies ially | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Da Ex | ite ercisab | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | ed ction(s) | (I) (Instr. 4 | <u>'</u> | |
| Restricted Performance Stock Rights | (3) | 02/18/2015 | | A | | 16,961.5 ⁽⁴⁾ | | | (3) | (3) | Common Stock | 16,961.5 | \$0.0000 | 67,22 | 1.5 ⁽⁵⁾ | D | | |
| Restricted Performance Stock Rights | (3) | 02/18/2015 | | M | | | 30,763.5 | (1) | (3) | (3) | Common Stock | 30,763.5 | \$0.0000 | 36,45 | 36,458 ⁽⁶⁾ Г | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

Restricted

Stock Right

1. Shares issued in settlement of Restricted Performance Stock Rights ("RPSRs") granted under the 2011 Long-Term Incentive Stock Plan ("LTISP") on 2/15/12 with a valuation of performance measurement period ("measurement period") ended 12/31/14. The RPSRs were settled at 150% of target.

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2. Shares surrendered to issuer in payment of tax liability in connection with settlement of RPSRs in accordance with Rule 16b-3(e).

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- 3. 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 applicable performance metric is satisfied for the relevant measurement period. Grants awarded pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d).
- 4. The RPSRs acquired include (i) 10,254.50 additional vested RPSRs with respect to the measurement period ended 12/31/14 acquired due to settlement of the 2012 RPSRs held at 150% of the target award and (ii) 6,707 unvested RPSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/18/15 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/17.
- 5. Total amount includes 30,763.50 vested RPSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/15/12 with a measurement period ended on 12/31/14; 6,707 RPSRs granted on 2/18/15 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/17; 9,669
- unvested RPSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/19/14 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/16; and 20,082 unvested RPSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/20/13 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/15. 6. Total amount includes 6,707 RPSRs granted on 2/18/15 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/17; 9,669 unvested RPSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/19/14 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/16; and 20,082
- unvested RPSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/20/13 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/15. 7. 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 2/18/15 and will vest on 2/18/18.
- 8. Total amount includes 3,163 RSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/18/15 that will vest on 2/18/18; 4,032 RSRs granted the LTISP on 2/19/14 that will vest on 2/19/17; 7,268 RSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/20/13 that will
- vest on 2/20/16; and 10,397 RSRs granted under the LTISP on 11/1/11 that will vest on 11/1/15

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

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Stock

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02/20/2015

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** 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).

02/18/2015

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