FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  PALMER JAMES F						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NORTHROP GRUMMAN CORP /DE/ [ NOC ]								(Ched	lationship of ck all applica Director Officer (	able)	g Perso	on(s) to Issu 10% Ov Other (s	vner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2980 FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/07/2012								X	below)	Corp. V	P & 0	below)	peony
(Street) FALLS CHURCH VA 22042					4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Ind Line)	X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				
(City)	(City) (State) (Zip)														Person				
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securit Disposed				and 5) Securitie Beneficia Owned F		s Fo ally (D ollowing (I)		: Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or P	rice	Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 06/07/2					07/201	2012		М		176,150		. 4	641.14	248,574			D		
Common Stock 06/07/					07/201	/2012		F		144,911	L <sup>(1)</sup> I	) [1	\$59.35		103,663		D		
			Table II -								osed of				wned				
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/Yea	Date,	Code (Inst				6. Date Exercis Expiration Date (Month/Day/Ye		е	7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)			3. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti	e Ow S For Illy Dir or I	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of S			(Instr. 4)	on(a)		
Stock Option (Right-to-	\$41.14	06/07/2012			M			176,150	(2)		02/17/2016	Common Stock	176	5,150	\$41.14	0.000	00	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Shares surrendered to issuer in paryment of exercise price and tax liability in connection with stock option exercise in accordance with Rule 16b-3(e).
- 2. The option is fully exercisable.

Attorney-in-Fact

06/11/2012

\*\* 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).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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