

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>PALMER JAMES F</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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Corp. VP & CFO</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/15/2012</u>	
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			

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
Restricted Performance Stock Rights	(1)	02/15/2012		A		44,864		(1)	(1)	Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	44,864	\$0	96,279 ⁽²⁾	D	
Restricted Stock Rights	(3)	02/15/2012		A		17,603		(3)	(3)	Common Stock ⁽³⁾	17,603	\$0	80,394 ⁽⁴⁾	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Each Restricted Performance Stock Right ("RPSR") 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 RPSRs vest if the applicable performance metric is satisfied for the three-year performance period ending December 31, 2014.
- Total amount includes 44,864 unvested RPSRs granted under the 2011 Long-Term Incentive Stock Plan ("LTISP") on 2/15/12 with a valuation of performance measurement period ("measurement period") ending on 12/31/14; 34,562 unvested RPSRs granted under the 2001 Long-Term Incentive Stock Plan ("2001 LTISP") on 2/16/10 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/12; and 16,853 unvested RPSRs granted under the 2001 LTISP on 2/15/11 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/13. Grants awarded pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d).
- 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 2/15/12 and will vest on 2/15/15.
- Total amount includes 17,603 unvested Restricted Stock Rights ("RSRs") granted under the LTISP that will vest on 12/15/15; 45,938 RSRs granted under the 2001 Long-Term Incentive Stock Plan ("2001 LTISP") on 2/16/10 that will vest on 2/16/14; and 16,853 RSRs granted under the 2001 LTISP on 2/15/11 that will vest on 2/15/15. Grants awarded pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d).

/s/ Jennifer C. McGarey,
Attorney-in-fact for James F. Palmer 02/17/2012

** 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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