

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*</p> <p><u>VICE THOMAS E</u></p> <hr/> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p><u>2980 FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE</u></p> <hr/> <p>(Street)</p> <p><u>FALLS CHURCH VA 22042</u></p> <hr/> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p><u>NORTHROP GRUMMAN CORP /DE/ [ NOC ]</u></p> <hr/> <p>3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)</p> <p><u>02/17/2016</u></p> <hr/> <p>4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)</p> <p>Director _____ 10% Owner _____</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) _____</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><u>Corp VP &amp; Pres Aerospace Sys</u></p> <hr/> <p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person</p> <p>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person _____</p>
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**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	02/17/2016		M		65,895 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$0.0000	127,216.5	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2016		F		33,620 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	\$190.06	93,596.5	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
Restricted Performance Stock Rights	(3)	02/17/2016		A		34,675 <sup>(4)</sup>		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	34,675	\$0.0000	113,566 <sup>(5)</sup>	D	
Restricted Performance Stock Rights	(3)	02/17/2016		M			65,895 <sup>(1)</sup>	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	65,895	\$0.0000	47,671 <sup>(6)</sup>	D	
Restricted Stock Rights	(7)	02/17/2016		A		5,767		(7)	(7)	Common Stock	5,767	\$0.0000	36,998 <sup>(8)</sup>	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Shares issued in settlement of Restricted Performance Stock Rights ("RPSRs") granted under the 2011 Long-Term Incentive Stock Plan ("LTISP") on 2/20/13 with a valuation of performance measurement period ("measurement period") ended 12/31/15. The RPSRs were settled at 150% of target.
- 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 applicable performance metric is satisfied for the relevant measurement period. Grants awarded pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d).
- The RPSRs acquired include (i) 21,965 additional vested RPSRs with respect to the measurement period ended 12/31/15 acquired due to settlement of the 2013 RPSRs held at 150% of the target award and (ii) 12,710 unvested RPSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/17/16 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/18.
- Total amount includes 65,895 vested RPSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/20/13 with a measurement period ended on 12/31/15; 12,710 RPSRs granted on 2/17/16 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/18; 13,810 RPSRs granted on 2/18/15 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/17; and 21,151 RPSRs granted on 2/19/14 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/16.
- Total amount includes 12,710 RPSRs granted on 2/17/16 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/18; 13,810 RPSRs granted on 2/18/15 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/17; and 21,151 RPSRs granted on 2/19/14 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/16.
- 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 2/17/16 and will vest on 2/17/19.
- Total amount includes 5,767 RSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/17/16 that will vest on 2/17/19; 6,512 RSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/18/15 that will vest on 2/18/18; 8,820 RSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/19/14 that will vest on 2/19/17; and 15,899 RSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/20/13 that will vest on 2/20/16.

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

02/19/2016

\*\* 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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