Branderiz Eric Form 4 March 07, 2018

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **Branderiz Eric**

> (First) (Middle)

C/O TESLA, INC, 3500 DEER

CREEK ROAD

PALO ALTO, CA 94304

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Tesla, Inc. [TSLA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/05/2018

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

VP, Chief Accounting Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-E	Derivative Securities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acquired	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	n(A) or Disposed of (D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Owned	(D) or	Ownership
					Following	Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)
				(4)	Reported	(Instr. 4)	

		Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(1nst
Common Stock	03/05/2018	M(1)	1,201	A	\$0	2,474 (2)	D
Common Stock	03/06/2018	F(3)	636	D	\$ 333.75	1,838	D
Common Stock	03/07/2018	S <u>(4)</u>	452	D	\$ 325.44	1,386	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day)	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. P Deri Seci (Ins
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	03/05/2018		M	1,201	(5)	(5)	Common Stock	1,201	:

Reporting Owners

Paparting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owner Name / Address	r-

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Branderiz Eric C/O TESLA, INC 3500 DEER CREEK ROAD PALO ALTO, CA 94304

VP, Chief Accounting Officer

Signatures

By: Aaron Beckman, Power of Attorney For: Eric Branderiz

03/07/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Shares of the Issuer's common stock were issued to the reporting person upon the vesting of restricted stock units on March 5, 2018.
- (2) Amount of securities beneficially owned includes 71 shares acquired under the Tesla, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan on February 28, 2018.
 - PURSUANT TO THE ISSUER'S EQUITY PLAN AND POLICIES, THESE SHARES OF COMMON STOCK WERE
- (3) AUTOMATICALLY WITHHELD AND SOLD BY THE ISSUER TO SATISFY THE REPORTING PERSON'S TAX WITHHOLDING OBLIGATIONS RELATED TO THE VESTING OF RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS REPORTED HEREIN.
- (4) Effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on December 7, 2017.
- (5) 4,808 of the restricted stock units included in this grant vested on December 5, 2017 and the remaining 14,422 shares commenced vesting in twelve equal quarterly installments beginning March 5, 2018.

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