#### **TESLA MOTORS INC**

Form 4

January 15, 2014

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Ahuja Deepak

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Middle)

TESLA MOTORS INC [TSLA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First)

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

01/13/2014

below) **CFO** 

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

3500 DEER CREEK ROAD

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

Person

below)

PALO ALTO, CA 94304

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (T)

(Instr. 4)

(A)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amour Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securit** Securities Security or Exercise Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) any

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	ed of				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 139.34	01/13/2014		A		45,000		<u>(1)</u>	01/13/2024	Common Stock	45,0

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Ahuja Deepak								
3500 DEER CREEK ROAD			CFO					
PALO ALTO, CA 94304								

## **Signatures**

Deepak Ahuja
01/15/2014

\*\*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 subject to the option become vested and exercisable upon the Issuer's achievement of certain performance objectives set forth in the option agreement.

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