

TESLA MOTORS INC

Form 4

November 16, 2016

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Branderiz Eric

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O TESLA MOTORS, INC, 3500
DEER CREEK ROAD

(Street)

PALO ALTO, CA 94304

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol

TESLA MOTORS INC [TSLA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

11/14/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ 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

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 | (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 Derivative Security | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|---|------------------------|--|--|--|
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
|---|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|--|--------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Incentive Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 181.45 | 11/14/2016 | A | | 2,204 | | <u>(1)</u> | 11/14/2026 | Common Stock | 2,204 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 181.45 | 11/14/2016 | A | | 17,026 | | <u>(1)</u> | 11/14/2026 | Common Stock | 17,026 |
| Restricted Stock Unit | \$ 0 <u>(2)</u> | 11/14/2016 | A | | 19,230 | | <u>(2)</u> | <u>(3)</u> | Common Stock | 19,230 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Branderiz Eric C/O TESLA MOTORS, INC 3500 DEER CREEK ROAD PALO ALTO, CA 94304 | | | VP, Chief Accounting Officer | |

Signatures

Eric Branderiz 11/16/2016

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) 1/4th of the shares subject to the option become vested and exercisable on 10/24/2017 and 1/48th of the shares subject to the option shall become vested and exercisable every month thereafter.

(2) Restricted stock units convert into shares of common stock on a one-for-one basis.

(3) 1/4th of the restricted stock units will vest on December 5, 2017 and 1/16th of the units will vest every three months thereafter.

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