

NETGEAR, INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MERRILL MARK G

(Last) (First) (Middle)

NETGEAR, INC., 350 E. PLUMERIA DR.

(Street)

SAN JOSE, CA 95134

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NETGEAR, INC [NTGR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/15/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chief Technology Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)			
				(A) or (D)	Price					
Common Stock	12/15/2016		M ⁽¹⁾	V	3,000	A	\$ 35.32	23,963	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2016		S ⁽¹⁾	D	3,000	D	\$ 56.92	20,963	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. 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 35.32	12/15/2016		M ⁽¹⁾	3,000	<u>(2)</u>	02/03/2021	Common Stock	3,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.31					<u>(3)</u>	06/06/2022	Common Stock	6,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.54					<u>(4)</u>	05/16/2023	Common Stock	15,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.52					<u>(5)</u>	06/03/2024	Common Stock	15,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.28					<u>(6)</u>	06/02/2025	Common Stock	15,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 39.53					<u>(6)</u>	03/24/2026	Common Stock	25,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MERRILL MARK G NETGEAR, INC. 350 E. PLUMERIA DR. SAN JOSE, CA 95134			Chief Technology Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Andrew W. Kim, Attorney in Fact	12/15/2016
__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) The exercise and sale reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on August 30, 2016.
- (2) 25% of the option grant is exercisable on 2/3/12, and 1/48 of the option grant is exercisable each month thereafter.
- (3) 25% of the option grant is exercisable on 6/6/2013, and 1/48 of the option grant is exercisable each month thereafter.
- (4) 25% of the option grant is exercisable on 5/16/2014, and 1/48 of the option grant is exercisable each month thereafter.
- (5) 25% of the options will be exercisable on 6/03/2015, and 1/48 of the option grant is exercisable each month thereafter.

This Option shall be exercisable, in whole or in part, in accordance with the following schedule: 25% of the Shares subject to the Option shall vest twelve months after the Vesting Start Date, and 1/48 of the Shares subject to the Option shall vest each month thereafter, subject to the Optionee continuing to be a Service Provider on such dates.

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