

Ottensmeyer Patrick J
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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 *
 Ottensmeyer Patrick J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN, PO BOX 219335

(Street)

KANSAS CITY, MO 64121-9335

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN [KSU]

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

02/14/2018

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)

President & CEO

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 02/14/2018 | | A | 2,873 A | \$ 0 93,438 ⁽¹⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 250.963 | I | By 401(k) & P/S Plan |

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) | \$ 35.41 | | | | | 03/01/2013 ⁽²⁾ | 02/29/2020 | Common Stock | 6,850 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 52.62 | | | | | ⁽³⁾ | 02/22/2021 | Common Stock | 6,950 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 66.99 | | | | | ⁽³⁾ | 02/21/2022 | Common Stock | 4,690 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 97.77 | | | | | ⁽³⁾ | 02/20/2023 | Common Stock | 3,666 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 94.23 | | | | | ⁽³⁾ | 02/19/2024 | Common Stock | 3,876 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 119.35 | | | | | ⁽³⁾ | 02/17/2025 | Common Stock | 5,652 |
| Employee Stock | \$ 82.71 | | | | | ⁽³⁾ | 02/18/2026 | Common Stock | 13,120 |

Option
(Right to
Buy)

Employee
Stock

Option \$ 86.89
(Right to
Buy)

(3) 02/16/2027 Common Stock 29,763

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Ottensmeyer Patrick J KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN PO BOX 219335 KANSAS CITY, MO 64121-9335 | | | President & CEO | |

Signatures

Julie D. Powell,
Attorney-in-fact

02/15/2018

__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) 168 of these shares represent performance shares that were earned on January 23, 2018 when the KCS Compensation and Organization Committee determined that the performance goals were met. These performance shares will not vest until February 23, 2018 contingent upon continued employment by the reporting person through that date. Until these shares vest, the reporting person does not have the right to vote, receive, or be entitled to receive, cash or non-cash dividends or any other beneficial rights as a shareholder of the Company.
- (2) Prior to March 1, 2013, this option may become exercisable in 1/3 increments if the daily closing price of Kansas City Southern's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange is greater than or equal to \$38.95, \$42.85, and \$47.14, respectively, for at least 30 consecutive trading days. The first target was met and 4,567 of these options became exercisable on November 19, 2010. The second target was met and 4,567 of these options became exercisable on December 8, 2010. The third target was met and 4,566 of these options became exercisable on January 7, 2011.
- (3) These options become exercisable in three equal installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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