Burkart John F. Form 4 March 14, 2018

FORM 4

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

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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)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Burkart John F.

Symbol

ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST INC [ESS]

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST, 1100 PARK PLACE, **SUITE 200**

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

03/13/2018

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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

Sr. Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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SAN MATEO, CA 94403

(City) 1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

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

(Instr. 8)

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

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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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. Transa Code (Instr.		5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
					Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares
]	Series Z-1 incentive Units	(1)	03/13/2018		C(1)			7,500	<u>(1)</u>	(2)	Operating Partnership Units	7,500
]	Operating Partnership Units	(1)	03/13/2018		C(1)		7,500		<u>(1)</u>	(1)	Common Stock	7,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Kelationships	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Burkart John F.

C/O ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST 1100 PARK PLACE, SUITE 200 SAN MATEO, CA 94403

Sr. Executive Vice President

Signatures

/s/ John Farias, Attorney in Fact 03/14/2018

**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).
- These Series Z-1 incentive units converted into Essex Portfolio, L.P. ("EPLP") operating partnership units upon the Series Z-1 units, which were granted in May 2010, reaching a 100% conversion ratchet percentage. EPLP operating partnership units are exchangeable by the reporting person at any time following the conversion for an equal number of shares of the issuer's common stock. EPLP operating partnership units have no expiration date.
- (2) The Series Z-1 incentive units were purchased by the reporting person for \$1 per each incentive unit and had no expiration date. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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