TESLA MOTORS INC

Form 4

August 20, 2015

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

15,272

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obligations

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 may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

TESLA MOTORS INC [TSLA]

Symbol

1(b).

Common

Stock

08/18/2015

(Print or Type Responses)

Ehrenpreis Ira Matthew

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

			TESL	A MOTO	ORS INC	[TSL	A]	(Che	ck all applica	ble)	
(Last) 100 SHOR 282, BLD0	RELINE HWY., S	(Middle)		/Day/Year)	Transactior	1		X Director Officer (giv below)	1	0% Owner Other (specify	
MILL VA	(Street) LLEY, CA 94941	l		nendment, l	Date Origin ear)	al		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tal	ble I - Non	-Derivative	e Secu	rities Acqu	iired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	cially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution I any (Month/Day	Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit for Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (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)	
Common Stock	08/18/2015			M(1)	16,698	A	\$ 29.66	26,086	I	By TP Management VIII, LLC (2)	
Common Stock	08/18/2015			S	16,698	D	\$ 255.39 (3)	9,388	I	By TP Management VIII, LLC (2)	
Common Stock	08/18/2015			J <u>(4)</u>	9,388	D	<u>(4)</u>	0	I	By TP Management	

 $J^{(4)}$

9,388

VIII, LLC (2)

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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 on 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shar
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 29.66	08/18/2015		M <u>(1)</u>		16,698	<u>(5)</u>	06/12/2019	Common Stock	16,69
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 29.66	08/18/2015		J <u>(6)</u>		8,492	<u>(5)</u>	06/12/2019	Common Stock	8,49
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 29.66	08/18/2015		J <u>(6)</u>	8,492		<u>(5)</u>	06/12/2019	Common Stock	8,491

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Ehrenpreis Ira Matthew 100 SHORELINE HWY. SUITE 282, BLDG. B MILL VALLEY, CA 94941	X						

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/s/ Ira Matthew 08/20/2015 Ehrenpreis

**Signature of Reporting
Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

Date

- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- The Reporting Person held these options as nominee of TP Management VIII, LLC and, at the direction of TP Management VIII, LLC, (1) exercised the options and delivered the shares of Common Stock received upon such exercise to TP Management VIII, LLC, for the benefit of the members of TP Management VIII, LLC.
- The Reporting Person is a managing member of the general partner of such entity, and disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein. This report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for Section 16 or any other purpose.
- Represents weighted average sales price. The shares were sold at prices ranging from \$255.00 to \$255.87. The Reporting Person will provide upon request, to the SEC, the Issuer or any security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (4) Represents the distribution in kind of the reported securities by TP Management VIII, LLC to the Reporting Person in respect of his pecuniary interest therein, for no additional consideration.
- (5) Fully vested and immediately exercisable in full.
 - Prior to the exercise of the options reported herein as described in footnote (1), the Reporting Person held the options as nominee of TP Management VIII, LLC. Following the exercise of such options for the benefit of the members of TP Management VIII, LLC, the
- (6) remaining balance of the options consists entirely of the Reporting Person's pecuniary interest in the options. Accordingly, following such exercise, the nominee arrangement terminated for no additional consideration, and the Reporting Person now holds the remaining options directly for his exclusive benefit, representing a change in the form of ownership of such options from indirect to direct.

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