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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Walters Brian D

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL

CORP [MATW]

(Check all applicable)

(Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

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

11/15/2017

below) VP and General Counsel

TWO NORTHSHORE CENTER (Street)

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

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

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

PITTSBURGH, PA 15212

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Perivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or		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)	
Class A Common Stock	11/15/2017		A <u>(1)</u>	9,600	A	\$ 0	44,437	D	
Class A Common Stock	11/16/2017		F(2)	1,123	D	\$ 57.78	43,314	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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Poparting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

10% Owner Officer Other Director

Walters Brian D VP and TWO NORTHSHORE CENTER General PITTSBURGH, PA 15212 Counsel

Signatures

Brian D Walters 11/17/2017 **Signature of Date Reporting Person

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).

Award of restricted stock under the Company's 2012 Equity Incentive Plan, subject to the agreement entered into under the Plan. In General, 50% of the shares vest on November 15, 2020, subject to continuing employment at that time; 25% of the shares vest in increments of one-third upon the stock price of the Company reaching 105%, 115% and 125% of the price of the Company's common

- stock on the date of the award for ten consecutive trading days, respectively; and 25% of the shares vest in increments of one-third upon the adjusted earnings per share of the company reaching \$3.89, \$4.20 and \$4.54; and in any event no earlier than one year from the date of the grant, subject to continuing employment at that time. Shares that do not achieve the stock price thresholds on or before November 15, 2022 will be forfeited. Shares that do not achieve the adjusted earnings per share thresholds on or before November 15, 2020 will be forfeited.
- (2) Sale of Shares to the registrant to cover tax withholding on the vesting of restricted shares.

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