ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST INC

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Symbol

1(b).

(Last)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SCHALL MICHAEL J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST INC

(Check all applicable)

[ESS]

(Middle)

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

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

C/O ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST, 925 E MEADOW DRIVE

(Street)

(First)

President and CEO

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

12/10/2013

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

PALO ALTO, CA 94303

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(Instr. 4)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

(City) (State)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (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)

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 4. 5. Number of Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactiorDerivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Conversion

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
LTIP Units (1)	<u>(2)</u>	12/10/2013		A	3,600		(2)(3)	(2)	Common Stock	3,600
Stock Option (right to purchase)	\$ 152.63	12/10/2013		A	20,000		<u>(4)</u>	12/10/2023	Common Stock	20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SCHALL MICHAEL J C/O ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST 925 E MEADOW DRIVE PALO ALTO, CA 94303

President and CEO

Signatures

/s/ Michael T. Dance, Attorney in Fact 12/12/2013

**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) Represents LTIP Units in Essex Portfolio, L.P.

Conditioned upon minimum allocations to the capital accounts of the LTIP Units for federal income tax purposes and vesting as described in footnote 3 below, each LTIP Unit may be converted, at the election of the holder, into a unit of limited partnership interest in Essex

- (2) Portfolio, L.P. (a "Common Unit"). Each Common Unit acquired upon conversion of an LTIP Unit may be converted into one share of Common Stock of the Issuer. LTIP Units are generally not convertible without the consent of the Issuer until two years from the date of the grant. The rights to convert LTIP Units into Common Units and to convert Common Units into shares of Common Stock do not have expiration dates.
 - 900 of the LTIP Units granted are scheduled to vest 25% on each of the first four anniversaries of December 10, 2013, subject to continued employment through such dates. 2,700 of the LTIP Units granted are scheduled to vest 25% on each of the first four anniversaries of December 10, 2013, subject to continued employment through such dates and the achievement of certain performance criteria based on the Issuers total return to shareholders through December 10, 2014. In accordance with applicable Form 4 reporting
- (3) criteria based on the Issuers total return to shareholders through December 10, 2014. In accordance with applicable Form 4 reporting requirements, the foregoing excludes 5,400 LTIP Units also granted on December 10, 2013 that are scheduled to vest 25% on each of the first four anniversaries of December 10, 2013, subject to continued employment through such dates and the achievement of certain performance criteria based on the Issuers relative total return to shareholders measured against industry-specific indices through December 10, 2014.

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(4) 20% of these options will vest on 12/10/2014 and 1/60th of the options shall vest on each monthly anniversary thereafter.

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