

Ware Michaela M
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
Ware Michaela M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
BRINKER INTERNATIONAL INC
[EAT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
6820 LBJ FREEWAY

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/15/2018

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
VP of Finance & IR

DALLAS, TX 75240

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | | | |
| Common Stock | 02/15/2018 | | M | V | 1,000 | A | \$ 19.58 | 8,181.439 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/15/2018 | | S | | 830 | D | \$ 34.08 | 7,351.439 | 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 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option Right-to-Buy | \$ 19.58 | 02/15/2018 | | M | 1,000 | 10/20/2011 ⁽¹⁾ 10/20/2018 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Ware Michaela M 6820 LBJ FREEWAY DALLAS, TX 75240 | | | VP of Finance & IR | |

Signatures

Christopher L. Green, Attorney-in-Fact for Michaela M. Ware
 02/16/2018

__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) Options vest in installments on or after the date shown.

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