MURDOCH JAMES R

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FORM 4

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

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 * MURDOCH JAMES R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

(Middle)

Tesla, Inc. [TSLA]

(Check all applicable)

C/O TESLA, INC, 3500 DEER

(First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

07/17/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

below)

CREEK ROAD

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

(Instr. 4)

PALO ALTO, CA 94304

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

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

(Instr. 4)

(Month/Day/Year)

Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

or Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

2. Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amour **Underlying Securit** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative				Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 319.57	07/17/2017		A		16,668		<u>(1)</u>	07/17/2024	Common Stock	16,6

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
MURDOCH JAMES R								
C/O TESLA, INC	v							

C/O TESLA, INC 3500 DEER CREEK ROAD PALO ALTO, CA 94304

Signatures

By: Aaron Beckman, Power of Attorney For: James
Murdoch

07/19/2017

**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).
- 100% of the shares subject to the option shall vest and become exercisable on June 18, 2018. Pursuant to the issuer's Outside Director
- (1) Compensation Policy, this equity award was granted to the reporting person in connection with his appointment to the issuer's Board of Directors.

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