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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement NORTHWEST PIPE CO [NWPX] Wilkins Aaron (Month/Day/Year) 09/22/2016 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 5721 SE COLUMBIA WAY (Check all applicable) **SUITE 200** (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting VP of Finance &Corp Controller Person VANCOUVER, WAÂ 98661 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â 78 Common Stock D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		Title	Security	Direct (D)	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	65 (2)	\$ (2)	D	Â
Performance Shares	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	592	\$ <u>(3)</u>	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Wilkins Aaron 5721 SE COLUMBIA WAY SUITE 200 VANCOUVER, WA 98661	Â	Â	VP of Finance &Corp Controller	Â	

Signatures

/s/ Aaron
Wilkins

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) The Restricted Stock Units vest on January 15, 2017.
- (2) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Northwest Pipe Company common stock.
- Performance Shares vest in an amount ranging from 0-200% to the extent such Performance Shares are earned. Performance Shares are earned based on Northwest Pipe Company's total shareholder return for a specific time period relative to the total shareholder return of a peer group over the same period.

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