HENNESSY ADVISORS INC
Form 4
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# FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
NILSEN TERESA M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

7250 REDWOOD BLVD., SUITE 200

(Street)

NOVATO, CA 94945

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
HENNESSY ADVISORS INC [HNNA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
09/16/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

__X__ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP, CFO and Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 09/16/2016 | | F(1) | | 1,392 | D | $ 36.16 | 94,995 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/17/2016 | | F(1) | | 1,427 | D | $ 36.16 | 93,568 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 2,024 | I | FBO Children |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 1,012 | I | By Spouse's IRA |

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

# Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| NILSEN TERESA M<br>7250 REDWOOD BLVD., SUITE 200<br>NOVATO, CA 94945 | X | | EVP, CFO and Secretary | |

# Signatures

/s/ Peter D. Fetzer, Attorney-in-Fact for Teresa M. Nilsen — 09/19/2016

**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 shares withheld for payment of taxes incident to the vesting of restricted shares.

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