

TESLA MOTORS INC

Form 4

May 16, 2016

**FORM 4**
**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Buss Brad W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O TESLA MOTORS, INC., 3500  
DEER CREEK ROAD

(Street)

PALO ALTO, CA 94304

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
TESLA MOTORS INC [TSLA]

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

05/12/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)

☒ 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	05/12/2016		M		3,333	A	\$ 6.63	9,215	D
Common Stock	05/12/2016		M		2,000	A	\$ 28.43	11,215	D
Common Stock	05/12/2016		S		5,333	D	\$ 208.13	5,882	D
Common Stock	05/13/2016		M		10,000	A	\$ 28.43	15,882	D
Common Stock	05/13/2016		S		10,000	D	\$ 207.555 (1)	5,882	D

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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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.63	05/12/2016		M	3,333	<u>(2)</u> 12/03/2016	Common Stock	3,333
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 28.43	05/12/2016		M	2,000	<u>(3)</u> 06/12/2018	Common Stock	2,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 28.43	05/13/2016		M	10,000	<u>(3)</u> 06/12/2018	Common Stock	10,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Buss Brad W C/O TESLA MOTORS, INC. 3500 DEER CREEK ROAD PALO ALTO, CA 94304	X

## Signatures

By: Jonathan Chang by Power of Attorney For: Brad  
Buss

05/16/2016

\_\_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).

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- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$207.50 to \$207.77, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Tesla Motors, Inc., any security holder of Tesla Motors, Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- (1)
  - (2) 1/4th of the shares subject to the option become vested and exercisable on November 8, 2010 and 1/48th of the shares subject to the option shall become vested and exercisable each month thereafter.
  - (3) 100% of the shares subject to the option shall vest and become exercisable on the earlier of the first anniversary date of the grant or the day prior to the date of the next annual meeting of the stockholders of the Company following date of grant.

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