Genius Brands International, Inc.

Form 4

October 28, 2015

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Last)

(City)

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Handelman Michael D

(First)

(Street)

(State)

10/19/2015

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Genius Brands International, Inc.

(Check all applicable)

[GNUS]

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

X_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year)

10/19/2015

below) Chief Financial Officer

301 N. CANON DRIVE, SUITE 305

(Zip)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Director

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Person

BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price

Code V Amount 15,007

(1)

Α

A <u>(1)</u> $15,007 \frac{(1)}{2}$

(A)

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)			ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	nt of lying ities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene
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					(A) or Disposed						Repo Trans
					of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Instr
					4, and 3)				Amount		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Handelman Michael D 301 N. CANON DRIVE, SUITE 305 BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Michael D. Handelman

**Signature of Reporting Date
Person

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 a restricted stock award under the Issuer's 2015 Incentive Plan which shall vest at a rate of 1/3 of such shares per year for three years beginning on the one year anniversary of the grant date.

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