

NETGEAR, 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**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
MERRILL MARK G

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
NETGEAR, INC., 350 E.  
PLUMERIA DR.  
(Street)

SAN JOSE, CA 95134

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
NETGEAR, INC [NTGR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/24/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Chief Technology Officer

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount (D) Price  |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/24/2016                           |  | A                              |   | 10,000<br>(1)<br>\$ 0 22,373  | 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 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 or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title   | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 21.1  |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(2)</u>   | 02/02/2020  | Common Stock  | 1,251                      |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 31.31   |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(3)</u>   | 06/06/2022  | Common Stock  | 6,000                      |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 32.54   |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(4)</u>   | 05/16/2023  | Common Stock  | 15,000                     |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 32.52   |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(5)</u>   | 06/03/2024  | Common Stock  | 15,000                     |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 31.28   |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(6)</u>   | 06/02/2025  | Common Stock  | 15,000                     |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 39.53   |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(6)</u>   | 03/24/2026  | Common Stock  | 25,000                     |

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MERRILL MARK G  
NETGEAR, INC.  
350 E. PLUMERIA DR.  
SAN JOSE, CA 95134

Chief Technology Officer

Signatures

/s/ Andrew W. Kim, Attorney  
in Fact

03/28/2016

\_\_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) This RSU shall vest, in whole or in part, in accordance with the following schedule: 1/4 each year on the anniversary of the Vesting Start Date, March 31, 2016, subject to the recipient continuing to be a Service Provider on such dates.
- (2) 25% of the option grant is exercisable on 2/2/2011, and 1/48 of the option grant is exercisable each month thereafter.
- (3) 25% of the option grant is exercisable on 6/6/2013, and 1/48 of the option grant is exercisable each month thereafter.
- (4) 25% of the option grant is exercisable on 5/16/2014, and 1/48 of the option grant is exercisable each month thereafter.
- (5) 25% of the options will be exercisable on 6/03/2015, and 1/48 of the option grant is exercisable each month thereafter.

This Option shall be exercisable, in whole or in part, in accordance with the following schedule: 25% of the Shares subject to the Option shall vest twelve months after the Vesting Start Date, and 1/48 of the Shares subject to the Option shall vest each month thereafter, subject to the Optionee continuing to be a Service Provider on such dates.

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