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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Simon Kenneth Jay Issuer Symbol **CROWN CASTLE** (Check all applicable) INTERNATIONAL CORP [CCI] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 1220 AUGUSTA DRIVE SUITE 02/19/2018 SVP and General Counsel 600 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

HOUSTON, TX 77057

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

(City)	(State)	Tabl	e I - Non-L	Derivative	Secui	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly 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 ction(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock \$0.01 Par Value	02/19/2018		Code V M	Amount 2,712	or (D)	Price \$ 0	(Instr. 3 and 4) 14,046	D	
Common Stock \$0.01 Par Value	02/19/2018		M	2,900	A	\$ 0	16,946	D	
Common Stock \$0.01 Par	02/19/2018		F	1,384 (1)	D	\$ 109.12	15,562	D	

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Common Stock \$0.01 Par Value	113 (2)	I	By Spouse (by IRA)
Common Stock \$0.01 Par Value	55 <u>(2)</u>	I	By Daughter
Common Stock \$0.01 Par Value	121 (3)	I	By 401(k) Plan

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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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 Deriva Securit (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Time RSUs	<u>(4)</u>	02/19/2018		M	2,712	<u>(5)</u>	(5)	Common Stock	2,712	\$ (
Time RSUs	<u>(4)</u>	02/19/2018		M	2,900	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	2,900	\$ (

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Simon Kenneth Jay 1220 AUGUSTA DRIVE SUITE 600 SVP and General Counsel

Relationships

2 Reporting Owners

HOUSTON, TX 77057

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/s/ Kenneth Jay Simon

02/21/2018

**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).
- Represents shares withheld by the issuer to satisfy the Reporting Person's tax withholding obligation in connection with the vesting of (1) certain Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") previously granted to the Reporting Person. Such withholding is exempt from Section 16 (b) pursuant to Rule 16b-3(e).
- (2) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (3) Represents shares previously acquired in transactions exempt under Rule 16b-3(c).
- Each Restricted Stock Unit ("RSU") is issued pursuant to the Company's 2013 Long-Term Incentive Plan and represents a contingent (4) right to receive one share of common stock, and vesting (i.e., forfeiture restriction termination) generally is subject to (i) the reporting person remaining an employee or director of the Company or its affiliates and (ii) the other criteria described in the footnotes below.
- (5) These Time RSUs were previously granted on February 18, 2016. 33 1/3% of the original grant amount of these Time RSUs vest on February 19 of each of 2017, 2018 and 2019.
- (6) These Time RSUs were previously granted on February 16, 2017. 33 1/3% of the original grant amount of these Time RSUs vest on February 19 of each of 2018, 2019 and 2020.

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