#### **TESLA MOTORS INC**

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December 16, 2015

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Jason Wheeler S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

below)

TESLA MOTORS INC [TSLA]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director X\_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

3500 DEER CREEK ROAD

(Month/Day/Year) 12/14/2015

below)

Chief Financial Officer 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(T)

(Instr. 4)

Person

PALO ALTO, CA 94304

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial

(Instr. 8)

3.

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Owned

(A)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amor Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, a 5)	(D)				
				Code V	(A)	` /	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am Nui Sha
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 218.58	12/14/2015		A	1,828		<u>(1)</u>	12/14/2025	Common Stock	1
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 218.58	12/14/2015		A	198,350		<u>(1)</u>	12/14/2015	Common Stock	19

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Jason Wheeler S

3500 DEER CREEK ROAD Chief Financial Officer

PALO ALTO, CA 94304

## **Signatures**

Jason Wheeler 12/16/2015

\*\*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) 1/4th of the shares subject to the option become vested and exercisable 11/30/16 and 1/48th of the shares subject to the option shall become vested and exercisable each month thereafter.

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