

Woodward, Inc.
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FORM 4

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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 *
Preiss Chad Robert

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1000 E. DRAKE ROAD
(Street)

FORT COLLINS, CO 80525

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Woodward, Inc. [WWD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/26/2016

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)
President, Engine Systems

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 or Price | | |
| Woodward, Inc. Common Stock | 04/26/2016 | | M | | 14,500 A \$ 18.49 | 30,817.406 | D |
| Woodward, Inc. Common Stock | 04/26/2016 | | S | | 14,500 D \$ 54.8524 (1) | 16,317.406 | D |
| Woodward, Inc. Common Stock | | | | | | 14,564.84 (2) | I Woodward Retirement Savings Plan |

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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 of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Nonqualified Stock Option (Right to buy) | \$ 18.49 | 04/26/2016 | | M | 14,500 | 11/15/2007 ⁽³⁾ 11/15/2016 | Woodward, Inc. Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|--|---|
| Preiss Chad Robert 1000 E. DRAKE ROAD FORT COLLINS, CO 80525 | Director 10% Owner Officer President, Engine Systems |

Signatures

Rebecca L. Dees, by Power of Attorney
04/28/2016
**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) The reporting person sold shares in multiple same day, same way open market sales, with prices ranging from \$54.85 to \$54.90 per share. The reporting person undertakes to provide, upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the Company or a security holder of the Company, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (2) The information in this report regarding the number of shares held by Mr. Preiss in the Woodward Retirement Savings Plan (the "Plan") is based on a calculation as of April 27, 2016, and includes 22.17 shares acquired under the Plan since the date of the reporting person's last Form 4 with Table I reporting.

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- (3) Options, which expire November 15, 2016, became exercisable as to 25% of the shares on November 15, 2007 and each one-year anniversary thereafter.

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