TESLA MOTORS 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 * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Musk Kimbal Issuer Symbol TESLA MOTORS INC [TSLA] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 3500 DEER CREEK ROAD 05/01/2015 below)

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

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PALO ALTO, CA 94304

Common

05/01/2015

PALO AL'I	Person								
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secu	rities Acquii	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y 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)		sed of 4 and (A) or		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)
Common Stock	05/01/2015		M(1)	2,735	A	\$ 28.43	155,059	D	
Common Stock	05/01/2015		M(1)	3,666	A	\$ 9.96	158,725	D	
Common Stock	05/01/2015		S(1)	1,500	D	\$ 221.061 (2)	157,225	D	
Common Stock	05/01/2015		S(1)	1,079	D	\$ 222.081	156,146	D	

900

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\$

155,246

D

 $S^{(1)}$

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Stock					223.005 (4)		
Common Stock	05/01/2015	S <u>(1)</u>	1,300	D	\$ 224.32 (5)	153,946	D
Common Stock	05/01/2015	S <u>(1)</u>	700	D	\$ 225.053 <u>(6)</u>	153,246	D
Common Stock	05/01/2015	S <u>(1)</u>	922	D	\$ 225.99 (7)	152,324	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)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number opportunities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	ative Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) of		7. Title and Am Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	A on N of SI
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 28.43	05/01/2015		M <u>(1)</u>	2,735	06/05/2012(8)	06/12/2018	Common Stock	2
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.96	05/01/2015		M <u>(1)</u>	3,666	03/03/2011(9)	03/02/2017	Common Stock	6.7

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 6	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Musk Kimbal							
3500 DEER CREEK ROAD	X						
PALO ALTO, CA 94304							

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Kimbal Musk 05/05/2015

**Signature of Date
Reporting 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) The sale transactions reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on March 16, 2015.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$220.630 to \$221.544, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Tesla Motors, Inc., any security holder of Tesla Motors, Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$221.650 to \$222.630, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Tesla Motors, Inc., any security holder of Tesla Motors, Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$222.778 to \$223.613, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Tesla Motors, Inc., any security holder of Tesla Motors, Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$223.800 to \$224.656, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Tesla Motors, Inc., any security holder of Tesla Motors, Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$224.820 to \$225.390, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Tesla Motors, Inc., any security holder of Tesla Motors, Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$225.890 to \$226.220, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Tesla Motors, Inc., any security holder of Tesla Motors, Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- (8) 100% of the shares subject to the option shall vest and become exercisable on the earlier of the first anniversary date of the grant or the day prior to the date of the next annual meeting of the stockholders of the Company following date of grant.
- (9) 100% of the shares subject to the option became vested and exercisable on March 3, 2011.
- (10) The stock option was previously reported as being held indirectly by the reporting person through Jasper Holdings LLC. Jasper Holdings LLC has since been liquidated and the stock option is now directly held by the reporting person.

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