Nye C Howard Form 4 April 27, 2018

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Nye C Howard Issuer Symbol CREE INC [CREE] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) \_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title C/O CREE, INC., 4600 SILICON 04/25/2018 below) DRIVE 4. If Amendment, Date Original (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

DURHAM, NC 27703

(State)

(City)

| (City)          | (State) Ta                      | able I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqu             | ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|---|--|
| 1.Title of      | 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed  | 3. 4. Securities Acquired                           | 5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of             |
| Security        | (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·               | Securities Ownership Indirect            |
| (Instr. 3)      | any                             | Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)                            | Beneficially Form: Beneficial            |
|                 | (Month/Day/Ye                   | ear) (Instr. 8)                                     | Owned Direct (D) Ownership               |
|                 |                                 |   | Following or Indirect (Instr. 4)         |
|                 |                                 | (4)   | Reported (I)                             |
|                 |                                 | (A)   | Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)                |
|                 |                                 | Code V Amount (D) Price                             | (Instr. 3 and 4)                         |
| COMMON<br>STOCK | 04/25/2018                      | $A_{\underline{(1)}}$ 509 $A_{\underline{(39.25)}}$ | 26,800 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 | 2.          | 3. Transaction Date |                    | 4.         | 5.         | 6. Date Exerc       |                 | 7. Titl   |          | 8. Price of | 9. Nu    |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------|----------|-------------|----------|
| Derivative  | Conversion  | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if | Transacti  | orNumber   | Expiration D        | ate             | Amou      | ınt of   | Derivative  | Deriv    |
| Security    | or Exercise |                     | any                | Code       | of         | (Month/Day/         | Year)           | Under     | lying    | Security    | Secui    |
| (Instr. 3)  | Price of    |                     | (Month/Day/Year)   | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e                   |                 | Securi    | ities    | (Instr. 5)  | Bene     |
|             | Derivative  |                     | •                  |            | Securities | 3                   |                 | (Instr.   | 3 and 4) |             | Owne     |
|             | Security    |                     |                    |            | Acquired   |                     |                 |           |          |             | Follo    |
|             |             |                     |                    |            | (A) or     |                     |                 |           |          |             | Repo     |
|             |             |                     |                    |            | Disposed   |                     |                 |           |          |             | Trans    |
|             |             |                     |                    |            | of (D)     |                     |                 |           |          |             | (Instr   |
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|             |             |                     |                    |            | i, and 3)  |                     |                 |           |          |             |          |
|             |             |                     |                    |            |            |                     |                 |           | Amount   |             |          |
|             |             |                     |                    |            |            | Data                | Evaluation      |           | or       |             |          |
|             |             |                     |                    |            |            | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title Nun | Number   |             |          |
|             |             |                     |                    |            |            |                     |                 |           | of       |             |          |
|             |             |                     |                    | Code V     | (A) (D)    |                     |                 |           | Shares   |             |          |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |           |         |       |  |  |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| <b>FB</b>                      | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |  |  |
| Nye C Howard                   |               |           |         |       |  |  |
| C/O CREE, INC.                 | X             |           |         |       |  |  |
| 4600 SILICON DRIVE             | Λ             |           |         |       |  |  |
| DURHAM, NC 27703               |               |           |         |       |  |  |

# **Signatures**

Bradley D. Kohn as agent for C. HOWARD

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\*\*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) Represents shares of Common Stock credited to the Reporting Person's 2018 deferral account under the Cree, Inc. Stock Compensation and Deferral Program, issuable following the Reporting Person's Separation of Service from Cree.

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