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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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may continue. See Instruction

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Swaroop Bhagwat

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

PROOFPOINT INC [PFPT]

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(First) (Middle) (Last)

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

11/15/2017

(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner

EVP & GM, Protection

below)

C/O PROOFPOINT, INC., 892 **ROSS DRIVE**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

below)

X_ Officer (give title

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

Symbol

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

SUNNYVALE, CA 94089

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Owned Direct (D) Ownership (Instr. 8) Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price \$ Common 2,000 11/15/2017 $S^{(1)}$ D D 89.6121 3,723 (2) Stock (3)

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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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	ofNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			Amou Under Securi (Instr.	rlying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
Transfer of the same of the sa	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Swaroop Bhagwat C/O PROOFPOINT, INC. 892 ROSS DRIVE SUNNYVALE, CA 94089			EVP & GM, Protection					

Signatures

/s/ Bhagwat Swaroop by Michael Yang, Attorney-In-Fact

11/17/2017

**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 transactions reported on this line were effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on March 6, 2017.
- (2) Represents the aggregate of sales effected on the same day at different prices.
- Represents the weighted average sales price per share. The shares sold at prices ranging from \$89.27 to \$89.88 per share. Full information (3) regarding the number of shares sold at each price shall be provided upon request to the staff of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer.

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