

Niehus Mark A.
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Niehus Mark A.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
KAPSTONE PAPER & PACKAGING CORP [KS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
VP and Corporate Controller

(Last) (First) (Middle)
KAPSTONE PAPER AND, PACKAGING CORPORATION 1101 SKOKIE BLVD.

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/14/2018

(Street)
NORTHBROOK, IL 60062

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 03/14/2018 | | M | 6,630 A \$ 2.45 | 45,387 | D | |
| Common Stock | 03/14/2018 | | F | 2,273 D \$ 34.85 | 43,114 | D | |

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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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 2.45 | 03/14/2018 | | M | 6,630 | (1) 04/08/2018 | Common Stock | 6,630 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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KAPSTONE PAPER AND
PACKAGING CORPORATION 1101 SKOKIE BLVD.
NORTHBROOK, IL 60062

VP and Corporate Controller

Signatures

/s/ Timothy W. Schmidt,
Attorney-in-Fact

03/16/2018

**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 options vested 50% on the second anniversary of the grant date and 50% on the third anniversary of the grant date. They were granted on April 8, 2008.

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