PROOFPOINT INC

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **Knight David**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

(Zip)

PROOFPOINT INC [PFPT]

(Check all applicable)

C/O PROOFPOINT, INC., 892

(First)

(Street)

(State)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/26/2014

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

EVP Product Mgmnt & Marketing

ROSS DRIVE

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

SUNNYVALE, CA 94089

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (T) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Derivative **Expiration Date** Security or Exercise any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

7. Title and Amoun

Underlying Securiti

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amou Exercisable Date or Numb of Sh Non-qualified Common **Stock Option** \$ 36 03/26/2014 A 25,000 (1) 03/25/2024 25,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Knight David C/O PROOFPOINT, INC. 892 ROSS DRIVE SUNNYVALE, CA 94089

EVP Product Mgmnt & Marketing

Stock

Signatures

(right to buy)

/s/ David Knight By Michael Yang,
Attorney-In-Fact
03/28/2014

**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 stock option will vest as to 1/4th of the total number of shares on February 1, 2015 and thereafter shall vest as to 1/48th of the total number of shares in equal monthly installments.

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