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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Auvil Paul R. III			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PROOFPOINT INC [PFPT]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
C/O PROOFPOIN ROSS DRIVE	T, INC., 8	892	03/19/2015	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Financial Officer		
(St	reet)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
SUNNYVALE, C	A 94089		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqui	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. Transactic 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	03/19/2015		M <u>(1)</u>	3,441	A	\$ 3.88	455,161	D	
Common Stock	03/19/2015		S <u>(1)</u>	3,441	D	\$ 60	451,720	D	
Common Stock	03/20/2015		M <u>(1)</u>	9,059	A	\$ 3.88	460,779	D	
Common Stock	03/20/2015		S <u>(1)</u>	9,059 (2)	D	\$ 60.0278	451,720	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 proof 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.88	03/19/2015		M <u>(1)</u>	3,441	<u>(4)</u>	03/09/2020	Common Stock	3,44
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.88	03/20/2015		M <u>(1)</u>	9,059	<u>(4)</u>	03/09/2020	Common Stock	9,059

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Auvil Paul R. III C/O PROOFPOINT, INC. 892 ROSS DRIVE SUNNYVALE, CA 94089			Chief Financial Officer				

Signatures

/s/ Paul R. Auvil III by Michael Yang,
Attorney-In-Fact

**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 transaction reported on this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on December 2, 2014.
- (2) Represents the aggregate of sales effected on the same day at different prices.

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- Represents the weighted average sales price per share. The shares sold at prices ranging from \$60.00 to \$60.33 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.
- (4) The stock option is immediately exercisable in full.

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