

STERLING CONSTRUCTION CO INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**BALLSCHMIEDE RONALD A**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**STERLING CONSTRUCTION CO INC [STRL]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**1800 HUGHES LANDING BLVD.**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**11/09/2016**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**EVP & CFO**

**THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380**  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

**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)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock	11/09/2015		F		13,675 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	7.11
							\$ 86,325 <sup>(2)</sup>

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 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

### Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BALLSCHMIEDE RONALD A 1800 HUGHES LANDING BLVD. THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380			EVP & CFO	

### Signatures

Roger M. Barzun under a Power of Attorney	11/16/2016
**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).

These shares were part of a restricted stock award, a portion of which was released from restrictions on November 9, 2016. The shares were retained by the Company at the election of the Reporting Person pursuant to a procedure approved by the Compensation Committee

- (1) of the Board of Directors to satisfy the Company's tax withholding requirements (based on the closing price of the Company's common stock on the release date) arising from the release of restrictions as permitted by the plan pursuant to which the restricted stock award was made.
- (2) Of these shares, 50,000 shares are subject to restrictions on their sale or other transfer and to forfeiture under certain circumstances.

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