SCHWAUSCH SCOTT

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

2105 CITYWEST

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SCHWAUSCH SCOTT

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ION GEOPHYSICAL CORP [IO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner

12/01/2018

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP & Corp Controller

Indirect

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(Check all applicable)

BOULEVARD, SUITE 100

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

D

Person

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

HOUSTON, TX 77042-2855

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

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

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Indirect (I) Owned Following (Instr. 4)

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

or Code V Amount (D) Price

Common 12/01/2018 Stock

9,611 A \$0 13,900 (1)

(A)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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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 | 3. Iransaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | SA. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Transact Code (Instr. 8) | S. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, | | Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|--------------------------------|--|-----|----------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | and 5) V (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amour or Numbe of Shar |
| Stock Appreciation Right | \$ 8.85 | 12/01/2018 | | A | 10,249 | | (2) | 12/01/2028 | Common Stock | 10,24 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SCHWAUSCH SCOTT 2105 CITYWEST BOULEVARD SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77042-2855

VP & Corp Controller

Signatures

(2)

Rebecca F. Sacco, attorney-in-fact 12/04/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person Dat

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).

Restricted Stock award issued pursuant to the ION Geophysical Corporation Third Amended and Restated 2013 Long Term Incentive Plan. The shares of restricted stock are subject to both time-based and performance-based vesting requirements. The time-based vesting requirements provide that the shares vest in three equal installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date, subject to satisfaction of the performance-based vesting requirements. The performance-based vesting requirements provide that the shares vest in three equal portions upon achievement of ION common stock 20 day volume weighted average price per share targets of \$17.50, \$22.50 and \$27.50, subject to satisfaction of the time-based vesting requirements.

Cash-settled Stock Appreciation Right ("SARs") issued pursuant to the ION Geophysical Corporation 2018 Stock Appreciation Rights Plan. The SARs are subject to both time-based and performance-based vesting requirements. The time-based vesting requirements provide that the SARs vest in three equal installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date, subject to satisfaction of the performance-based vesting requirements. The performance-based vesting requirements provide that the SARs vest in three equal portions upon achievement of ION common stock 20 day volume weighted average price per share targets of \$17.50, \$22.50 and \$27.50, subject to satisfaction of the time-based vesting requirements. The maximum value of each SAR is capped at \$27.50.

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