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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement TESLA MOTORS INC [TSLA] FIELD JOHN DOUGLAS (Month/Day/Year) 08/06/2015 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 3500 DEER CREEK ROAD (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Director 10% Owner _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer _X_ Other Person PALO ALTO, Â CAÂ 94304 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One VP, Engineering / VP, Reporting Person Engineering (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 4) Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Common Stock 15 D Â

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)
	Date	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or	Derivative	Security:	
					Security	Direct (D)	
	Exercisable			Number of		or Indirect	

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	11/10/2024	Common Stock	30,000	\$ 241.93	D	Â
Restricted Stock Unit	(2)	10/14/2023(2)	Common Stock	43,111	\$ 0 (3)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Unit	(4)	05/11/2025(4)	Common Stock	9,007	\$ 0 (3)	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
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FIELD JOHN DOUGLAS 3500 DEER CREEK ROAD PALO ALTO Â CA Â 94304	Â	Â	VP, Engineering	VP, Engineering	

Signatures

Field Field	08/17/2015		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Shares subject to the option become vested and exercisable upon the Issuer's achievement of certain performance objectives set forth in the option agreement.
- (2) The restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments beginning September 5, 2015.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning June 5, 2016.

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