

KAPSTONE PAPER & PACKAGING CORP
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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 *
 Niehus Mark A.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 KAPSTONE PAPER & PACKAGING CORP [KS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 KAPSTONE PAPER AND PACKAGING CORPORATION, 1101 SKOKIE BLVD., STE. 300

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/18/2016

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP and Corporate Controller

(Street)
 NORTHBROOK, IL 60062

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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	03/18/2016		A	4,292 (1) A \$ 0	30,974	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. 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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 12.72	03/18/2016		A	13,809	⁽³⁾ 03/18/2026	Common Stock	13,809

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Niehus Mark A. KAPSTONE PAPER AND PACKAGING CORPORATION 1101 SKOKIE BLVD., STE. 300 NORTHBROOK, IL 60062	Director 10% Owner Officer VP and Corporate Controller

Signatures

/s/ Timothy W. Schmidt,
Attorney-in-Fact
Date: 03/22/2016

**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).
- (1) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of KapStone common stock. The restricted stock units vest in their entirety on the third anniversary of the grant date.
- (2) Represents options granted pursuant to the KapStone Paper and Packaging 2014 Incentive Plan.
- (3) The options vest 50% on the second anniversary of the grant date and 50% on the third anniversary of the grant date.

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