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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement Synchrony Financial [SYF] Mehta Neeraj (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2018 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 777 LONG RIDGE (Check all applicable) ROAD, C/O CORPORATE **SECRETARY** 10% Owner Director (Street) _X_ Officer Other 6. Individual or Joint/Group (give title below) (specify below) Filing(Check Applicable Line) See remarks _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person STAMFORD. CTÂ 06902 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security

(State)

(City)

(Instr. 4)

Common Stock

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form: Direct (D)

> or Indirect (I)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr. 5)

(Instr. 5) Â D

52,109 (1)

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

(Zip)

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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** (Instr. 4)

5. 4. Ownership Conversion or Exercise Form of Price of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Derivative

Derivative Security:

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(2)	04/01/2025	Common Stock	31,091	\$ 30.41	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(3)	04/01/2026	Common Stock	42,031	\$ 29.33	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(4)	04/01/2027	Common Stock	40,651	\$ 34.3	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Mehta Neeraj 777 LONG RIDGE ROAD C/O CORPORATE SECRETARY STAMFORD Â CTÂ 06902	Â	Â	See remarks	Â		

Signatures

/s/ Danielle Do as attorney in fact 01/10/2018

**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).
- Represents restricted stock units that will vest in five equal annual installments of 20% each, beginning on the first anniversary of the applicable grant date. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Synchrony Financial (the "Company") common stock.
- (2) The reporting person was awarded 31,091 employee stock options on April 1, 2015, which vest in five equal annual installments of 20% each, beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (3) The reporting person was awarded 42,031 employee stock options on April 1, 2016, which vest in five equal annual installments of 20% each, beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (4) The reporting person was awarded 40,651 employee stock options on April 1, 2017, which vest in five equal annual installments of 20% each, beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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Remarks:

Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer-Payment Solutions Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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