Aryeh Jason Form 4 March 09, 2018

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Aryeh Jason

(Middle)

3911 SORRENTO VALLEY

BOULEVARD, STE 110

(Street)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

INC [LGND]

(Month/Day/Year)

03/08/2018

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title _ Other (specify

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

(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. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price			Beneficially For Owned Dir Following or Reported (I)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	03/08/2018		Code V	Amount 3,500	(D)	Price \$ 174.8843	83,334	I	Indirect (2)		
Common Stock	03/09/2018		S	4,000	D	\$ 176.4747 (3)	79,334	I	Indirect (2)		
Common Stock							58,625	D			
Common Stock							5,025	I	by Trust		

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	1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9
	Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionNumber		Expiration Date		Amou	int of	Derivative	J
	Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/Year)		Underlying		Security	,
(Instr. 3)		Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	;		Securities		(Instr. 5)]
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				Code V	(A) (D)							
					Code v	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Aryeh Jason

3911 SORRENTO VALLEY BOULEVARD, STE 110 X SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

Signatures

By: Charles S. Berkman For: Jason Aryeh

03/09/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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).
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from (1) \$174.49 to \$175.24, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide, upon request to the Securities Exchange Commission staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- All securities disclosed in this Form 4 are owned by certain funds managed by JALAA Equities, LP, JLV Investments, LP and affiliates (the "Funds"). Jason Aryeh is the General Partner of JALAA Equities, LP and a partner of JLV Investments, LP. By reason of the provisions of Rule 16a-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, JALAA Equities, LP, JLV Investments, LP and affiliates and Mr. Aryeh may be deemed to be the beneficial owners of the securities beneficially owned by the Funds.
- (3) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$175.99 to \$177.49, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide, upon request to the Securities Exchange Commission staff, the

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