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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Ghesquiere David W.</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>530 FAIRVIEW AVENUE N</u> (Street) <u>SEATTLE WA 98109</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>NanoString Technologies Inc [NSTG]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>SVP, Corporate & Business Dev</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/05/2018</u>	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/05/2018		M		4,166	A	(1)	20,804	D	
Common Stock	02/05/2018		F		1,236 ⁽²⁾	D	\$6.7	19,568	D	

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	02/05/2018		M		4,166		(4)	(4)	Common Stock	4,166	\$0	4,168	D	
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$6.8	02/06/2018		A		20,000		(5)	02/06/2028	Common Stock	20,000	\$0	20,000	D	
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	02/06/2018		A		54,118		(6)	(6)	Common Stock	54,118	\$0	54,118	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Restricted stock units ("RSUs") convert into Common Stock on a one-for-one basis.
- The reported shares were withheld to cover the reporting person's tax liability in connection with the vesting of RSUs. The shares were not issued to or sold by the reporting person.
- Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one (1) share of Issuer's common stock.
- On February 3, 2016, the reporting person was granted 12,500 RSUs, vesting in three equal installments beginning on the first market trading day following the first anniversary of the grant date.
- 1/48 of the shares subject to such option shall vest on the one-month anniversary of February 6, 2018 (the "Option Vesting Commencement Date") and 1/48th of the total number of shares each monthly anniversary of the Option Vesting Commencement Date becoming fully vested on the four-year anniversary of the Option Vesting Commencement Date.
- 1/3 of the RSUs vest on the first market trading day following the first anniversary of March 10, 2018 (the "RSU Vesting Commencement Date"), and 1/3 of the RSUs vest annually each year on the first market trading day after the second and third anniversary of the RSU Vesting Commencement Date.

Remarks:

/s/ Shannon Atchison, 02/07/2018
Attorney-in-fact

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

* 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).

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