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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Addi AHRENDTS A	*	ng Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol APPLE INC [AAPL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
1 INFINITE LOOP			(Month/Day/Year) 05/01/2017	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President			
(Street) CUPERTINO, CA 95014			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)				

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	ed, Disposed of,	sposed 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie omr Disposed (Instr. 3, 4)	d of (Ľ))	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)
Common Stock	05/01/2017		M	158,568	A	<u>(1)</u>	257,630	D	
Common Stock (2)	05/01/2017		F	79,514	D	\$ 146.58	178,116	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of ionDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	05/01/2017		M		78,110	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	78,110
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	05/01/2017		M		80,458	(4)(5)(6)(7)	(4)(5)(6)(7)	Common Stock	80,458

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

AHRENDTS ANGELA J 1 INFINITE LOOP CUPERTINO, CA 95014

Senior Vice President

Signatures

/s/ Sam Whittington, Attorney-in-Fact for Angela J. Ahrendts

05/03/2017

**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 the right to receive, at settlement, one share of common stock. This transaction represents the settlement of restricted stock units in shares of common stock on their scheduled vesting date.
- (2) Shares withheld by Apple to satisfy the minimum statutory tax withholding requirements on vesting of restricted stock units. No shares were sold.
- (3) This award was granted on May 1, 2014. One-third of the restricted stock units subject to the award vested on each of May 1, 2015, May 1, 2016 and May 1, 2017.
- This award was granted on May 1, 2014, for a "target number" of 40,229 restricted stock units (adjusted for Apple's 7:1 stock split in June (4) 2014). Between 0% and 200% of the target number of units vested on May 1, 2017, with the vesting percentage determined based on Apple's total shareholder return (TSR) relative to the other companies in the S&P 500 from May 1, 2014 through April 30, 2017.
- (5) TSR is calculated based on the change in a company's stock price during the three-year period, taking into account any dividends paid during that period, which are assumed to be reinvested in the stock. In accordance with the terms of the award, the beginning value used for calculating TSR is the average closing stock price for the 20 trading days prior to May 1, 2014. Apple's beginning value was calculated to be \$77.29 (adjusted for dividends and Apple's 7:1 stock split in June 2014). Similarly, the ending value used for calculating TSR is the average closing price for the 20 trading days ending on April 30, 2017. Apple's ending value was calculated to be \$151.46

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(adjusted for dividends).

- This award provided that if Apple's relative TSR performance is ranked at or above the 85th percentile for companies in the S&P 500 for the performance period, 200% of the target number of RSUs vest. If Apple's performance is ranked at the 55th percentile, 100% of the target number of RSUs vest. If Apple's performance is ranked at the 25th percentile, 25% of the target number of RSUs vest, and if
- Apple's performance is ranked below the 25th percentile, 0% of the target number of RSUs vest. If Apple's performance is at ranked above the 25th percentile but below the 85th percentile, then the portion of the RSUs that vest is determined on a straight-line basis (i.e., linearly interpolated) between the two nearest vesting percentages.
- (7) Apple's TSR for the three-year period was 95.96%, which ranked 28 out of the 454 companies that were included in the S&P 500 for the period and placed Apple in the 94th percentile. Therefore, 80,458 RSUs vested.

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