

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STANTON THOMAS R (Last) (First) (Middle) 901 EXPLORER BLVD. (Street) HUNTSVILLE, AL 35806 (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ADTRAN INC [ADTN] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director _____ 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) CEO |
| 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) 2/16/2017 | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY) | | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Trans. Date | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 3. Trans. 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) |
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| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g. , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Trans. Date | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Trans. 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 | | 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 of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| | | | | Code | V | | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | |
| Phantom Stock | (1) | 2/16/2017 | | A | | 267.958 | (2) | (2) | Common stock | 267.958 | \$0 | 65610.47 (3) | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Each share of phantom stock represents a right to receive one share of common stock or the cash value thereof.
- (2) The phantom stock becomes payable 6 months after the reporting person's separation of service with the Company. The reporting person may transfer his phantom stock account into an alternative investment at any time.
- (3) The reporting person previously reported an acquisition on November 17, 2017 of 13,547 shares of Phantom Stock as reported on a Form 4 filed on November 18, 2016. The actual number of shares of Phantom Stock acquired on November 17, 2017 was 13,915. The correct amount of derivative securities beneficially owned currently reflects the correct amount.

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| STANTON THOMAS R 901 EXPLORER BLVD. HUNTSVILLE, AL 35806 | X | | CEO | |

Signatures

Gayle S. Ellis, by power of attorney

3/3/2017

**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).

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