

# FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *                 |  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol       |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  |  |
| Saligram Ravichandra Krishnamurthy                        |  | RITCHIE BROS AUCTIONEERS INC [RBA]                |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director _____ 10% Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)<br><b>CEO</b> |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)                                   |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)      |  |  |  |
| C/O RITCHIE BROS. AUCTIONEERS INC., 9500 GLENLYON PARKWAY |  | 3/1/2018  |  |  |  |
| (Street)  |  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY) |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  |  |
| BURNABY, A1 V5J 0C6                                       |  |   |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person                                     |  |
| (City) (State) (Zip)                                      |  |   |  |  |  |

**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) |
|---------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|---|---|------------|-------|---|--|---|
|                                 |                |                                   | 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) |
|--|--|----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|---|--|---|-----|---|-----------------|--|--|--|--|
|  |  |                |                                   | Code                      | V |  | (A)                                     | (D) | Date Exercisable  | Expiration Date |  |  |  |  |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)     | \$32.16  | 3/1/2018       |                                   | A                         |   | 176992   | (1)                                     | (2) | Common Shares   | 176992          | \$0.00                                     | 176992   | D  |  |

### Explanation of Responses:

- The option was granted on March 1, 2018 and vests in three equal annual installments beginning March 1, 2019.
- The option expires on March 1, 2028; provided, however, that if such date occurs during a black out period (as defined in the RBA Amended and Restated Stock Option Plan) applicable to the reporting person or within five business days (as defined in such Plan) after the last day of a black out period applicable to the reporting person, the expiry date for the option will be the last day of such five business day period.

### Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Saligram Ravichandra Krishnamurthy<br>C/O RITCHIE BROS. AUCTIONEERS INC.<br>9500 GLENLYON PARKWAY<br>BURNABY, A1 V5J 0C6 | X             |           | CEO     |       |

### Signatures

Maria Teresa Punsalan attorney-in-fact for Ravichandra K. Saligram

3/5/2018

\*\*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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