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1(b). (Print or Type	Responses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Auvil Paul R. III			2. issuer raine und riener of ridding					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O PROOFPOINT, INC., 892 ROSS DRIVE			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/16/2015				 - b	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Chief Financial Officer			
			Aonth/Day/Year) A				 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person 				
SUNNYVALE, CA 94089				Ī				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tał	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Year) (Instr. 8) (A)			(D)) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	OwnershipIndForm:BerDirect (D)Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common	11/16/2015			Code V $M^{(1)}$	Amount 15,000	or (D) A	Price \$ 3.88	(Instr. 3 and 4) 466,180	D		
Stock Common Stock	11/16/2015			S <u>(1)</u>	15,000 (2)	D	\$ 70.5108		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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numl of Sh
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.88	11/16/2015		M <u>(1)</u>	15,000	(4)	03/09/2020	Common Stock	15,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Auvil Paul R. III C/O PROOFPOINT, INC. 892 ROSS DRIVE SUNNYVALE, CA 94089			Chief Financial Officer				
Signatures							
/s/ Paul R. Auvil III by Michael Y Attorney-In-Fact	ang,		11/18/2015				
**Signature of Reporting Per	son		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) The transaction reported on this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on December 2, 2014.
- (2) Represents the aggregate of sales effected on the same day at different prices.
- Represents the weighted average sales price per share. The shares sold at prices ranging from \$70.00 to \$70.88 per share. Full information(3) regarding the number of shares sold at each price shall be provided upon request to the staff of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer.
- (4) The stock option is immediately exercisable in full.

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