

Bedingfield Kenneth L
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Bedingfield Kenneth L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NORTHROP GRUMMAN CORP /DE/ [NOC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)

Corp VP, Controller & CAO

2980 FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(Street)

FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code V Amount (D) Price | | |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. D |
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|---|------|---|-----|-----|------------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------------------|
| Restricted Performance Stock Right | (1) | 02/15/2012 | A | 8,545 | | | | | (1) | (1) | Common Stock (1) | 8,545 |
| Restricted Performance Stock Right | (3) | 02/15/2012 | A | 6,572 | | | | | (3) | (3) | Common Stock (3) | 6,572 |
| Restricted Stock Right | (5) | 02/15/2012 | A | 4,650 | | | | | (5) | (5) | Common Stock (5) | 4,650 |
| Restricted Stock Right | (7) | 02/15/2012 | A | 2,816 | | | | | (7) | (7) | Common Stock (7) | 2,816 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Bedingfield Kenneth L 2980 FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042 | | | Corp VP, Controller & CAO | |

Signatures

/s/ Jennifer C. McGarey, Attorney-in-fact for Kenneth L.
Bedingfield

02/17/2012

__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 Performance Stock Right ("RPSR") represents a contingent right to receive an equivalent number of shares of Issuer common stock, or, at the election of the Issuer's Compensation Committee, cash or a combination of cash and Issuer common stock. The RPSRs vest if the applicable performance metric is satisfied for the three-year performance period ending December 31, 2013.

(2) Total amount includes 8,545 unvested RPSRs granted under the 2011 Long-Term Incentive Stock Plan ("LTISP") on 2/15/12 with a valuation of performance measurement period ("measurement period") ending on 12/31/13. Grants awarded pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d).

(3) Each RPSR represents a contingent right to receive an equivalent number of shares of Issuer common stock, or, at the election of the Issuer's Compensation Committee, cash or a combination of cash and Issuer common stock. The RPSRs vest if the applicable performance metric is satisfied for the three-year performance period ending December 31, 2014.

(4) Total amount includes 6,572 RPSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/15/12 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/14; and 8,545 unvested RPSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/15/12 with a measurement period ending on 12/31/13. Grants awarded pursuant to Rule

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16b-3(d).

(5) Each Restricted Stock Right ("RSR") represents a contingent right to receive an equivalent number of shares of Issuer common stock, or, at the election of the Issuer's Compensation Committee, cash or a combination of cash and Issuer common stock. The RSRs were granted under the LTISP on 2/15/12 and will vest on 2/15/14.

(6) Total amount includes 4,650 unvested RSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/15/12 that will vest on 2/15/14. Grants awarded pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d).

(7) Each RSR represents a contingent right to receive an equivalent number of shares of Issuer common stock, or, at the election of the Issuer's Compensation Committee, cash or a combination of cash and Issuer common stock. The RSRs were granted under the LTISP on 2/15/12 and will vest on 2/15/15.

(8) Total amount includes 2,816 unvested RSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/15/12 that will vest on 2/15/15; and 4,650 unvested RSRs granted under the LTISP on 2/15/12 that will vest on 2/15/14. Grants awarded pursuant to Rule 16b-3(d).

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