Branderiz Eric Form 4 January 26, 2018

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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Name and Address of Reporting Person * Branderiz Eric			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Tesla, Inc. [TSLA]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(The state of the			
C/O TESLA, INC, 3500 DEER CREEK ROAD			(Month/Day/Year) 01/24/2018	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP, Chief Accounting Officer			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
PALO ALTO, CA 94304				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-D) Perivative	Secui	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			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	01/24/2018		Code V M(1)	Amount 85	(D)	Price \$ 181.45	1,287	D	
Common Stock	01/24/2018		M(1)	716	A	\$ 181.45	2,003	D	
Common Stock	01/24/2018		S(1)	85	D	\$ 354.58	1,918	D	
Common Stock	01/24/2018		S <u>(1)</u>	716	D	\$ 354.58	1,202	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)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		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
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 181.45	01/24/2018		M	85	(2)	11/14/2026	Common Stock	85
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 181.45	01/24/2018		M	716	(2)	11/14/2026	Common Stock	716

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Branderiz Eric C/O TESLA, INC 3500 DEER CREEK ROAD PALO ALTO, CA 94304

VP, Chief Accounting Officer

Signatures

By: Aaron Beckman, Power of Attorney For: Eric

Branderiz

01/26/2018

**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) The exercise and sale transactions reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on December 7, 2017.

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(2) 1/4th of the shares subject to the option became vested and exercisable on 10/24/2017 and 1/48th of the shares subject to the option shall become vested and exercisable every month thereafter.

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