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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement BENCHMARK ELECTRONICS INC [BHE] Hicar Scott M. (Month/Day/Year) 02/21/2018 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 4141 N. SCOTTSDALE ROAD (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person SCOTTSDALE, AZÂ 85251 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Vice President Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock $8,100^{(1)}$ Â Common Stock 4,364 (2) D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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

3. Title and Amount of 1. Title of Derivative Security 2. Date Exercisable and 6. Nature of Indirect (Instr. 4) **Expiration Date** Securities Underlying Conversion Ownership Beneficial Ownership (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Security or Exercise Form of (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative Derivative Security:

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Restricted Stock Unit	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	8,103	\$ 0	D	Â
Restricted Stock Unit	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	4,371	\$ 0	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Hicar Scott M. 4141 N. SCOTTSDALE ROAD SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85251	Â	Â	Vice President	Â		

Signatures

/s/ James Walker by Power of Attorney for Scott M.
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**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- These shares are represented by a restricted stock unit award bearing the right to receive Common Shares and are scheduled to vest in (1) ratable annual installments over a four-year period beginning September 11, 2018. This restricted stock unit award was granted September 11, 2017.

Date

- These shares are represented by a restricted stock unit award bearing the right to receive Common Shares and are scheduled to vest in ratable annual installments over a four-year period beginning February 20, 2019. This restricted stock unit award was granted February 20, 2018.
- This reflects the target number of performance-based restricted stock units awarded. Actual awards may vary from as low as zero to as high as 2.5 times target numbers. As soon as reasonably practicable following the end of the Performance Period (beginning on January 1, 2017 and ending on December 31, 2019) and in no event later than March 15, 2020, the number of restricted stock units that will ultimately be earned will be determined and issued.
- This reflects the target number of performance-based restricted stock units awarded. Actual awards may vary from as low as zero to as high as 2.5 times target numbers. As soon as reasonably practicable following the end of the Performance Period (beginning on January 1, 2018 and ending on December 31, 2020) and in no event later than March 15, 2021, the number of restricted stock units that will ultimately be earned will be determined and issued.

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Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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