

HOVDE ERIC D  
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 \*  
HOVDE ERIC D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
EPLUS INC [PLUS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
122 W. WASHINGTON AVENUE, SUITE 350  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
09/25/2018

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

MADISON, WI 53703

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V Amount (A) or (D) Price   |   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 09/25/2018                           |  | A                              | 797 <sup>(1)</sup> A \$ 94.05                                     | 24,816  | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 18,475  | I  | Footnote <sup>(2)</sup>           |

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. Transaction 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 (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares                                       |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| HOVDE ERIC D<br>122 W. WASHINGTON AVENUE<br>SUITE 350<br>MADISON, WI 53703 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

Eric D. Hovde                      09/27/2018  
 \_\_Signature of                      Date  
 Reporting Person

## 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) On September 25, 2018, Mr. Hovde was awarded 797 restricted shares (the "Restricted Shares") of the common stock of the Company (the "Shares"). The Restricted Shares were issued pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Company's 2017 Non-Employee Director Long Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). The Restricted Shares are subject to a restriction period described in the Plan; under certain circumstances, the restrictions may lapse. The direct ownership of 24,816 Shares includes 1,223 Shares (including the Restricted Shares) that are restricted and have not yet vested as of September 26, 2018; however, Mr. Hovde has the right to vote such Shares that are restricted prior to vesting.
- (2) Mr. Hovde is the managing member of Hovde Capital, Ltd., the general partner to Financial Institution Partners III LP, which owns 10,198 Shares. Mr. Hovde is a trustee of The Eric D. and Steven D. Hovde Foundation, which owns 8,277 Shares.

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