#### **TESLA MOTORS INC**

Form 4

February 12, 2016

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

**SECURITIES** 

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See Instruction

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Straubel Jeffrey B

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Middle)

(Zip)

TESLA MOTORS INC [TSLA]

(Check all applicable)

3500 DEER CREEK ROAD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

02/10/2016

below) Chief Technical Officer

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

below)

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1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 7. Nature of Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial Owned Ownership (D) or Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common 02/10/2016 Stock

 $M^{(1)}$ 107,916

242,818 D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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

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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 conDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.7	02/10/2016		M <u>(1)</u>		107,916	(2)	04/12/2016	Common Stock	107,916

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
<b>rg</b>	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Straubel Jeffrey B								
3500 DEER CREEK ROAD			Chief Technical Officer					

### **Signatures**

PALO ALTO, CA 94304

By: Jonathan Chang by Power of Attorney For: Jeffrey B Straubel 02/12/2016 \*\*Signature of 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).
- The reporting person exercised stock options to purchase 107,916 shares of Tesla's common stock in a transaction exempt from Section (1) 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. There are no sales of Tesla's common stock by the reporting person in connection with this transaction.

Date

1/48th of the shares subject to the option will vest on each monthly anniversary of the grant date, so that all such shares will be vested as of the fourth anniversary of the grant date.

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