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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Haughton Jeffrey			Symbol Performant Financial Corp [PFMT]				MT]	Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)				Director		Owner		
333 NORTH CANYONS PARKWAY			03/06/20	03/06/2017				X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Operating 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			
LIVERMOR					Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction I (Month/Day/Ye	ar) Execution	emed on Date, if /Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed 4 and 5 (A) or	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	03/06/2016			Code V M	Amount 18,750	(D)	Price \$ 0	51,437	D		
Common Stock	03/06/2016			F	8,209 (1)	D	\$ 1.71	43,228	D		
Common Stock	03/07/2016			M	22,500	A	\$0	65,728	D		
Common Stock	03/07/2016			F	9,500 (1)	D	\$ 1.65	56,228	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	orDeri Secu Acq or D (D)	uired (A) visposed of er. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		3 (
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(3)</u>						(2)	(2)	Common Stock	20,000	
Restricted Stock Units	(3)						<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	82,270	
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	03/06/2017		M		22,500	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	22,500	
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	03/07/2017		M		18,750	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	18,750	

Relationships

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Haughton Jeffrey 333 NORTH CANYONS PARKWAY LIVERMORE, CA 94551			Chief Operating Officer	
Signatures				
/s/ Hakan Orvell, Attorney-in-Fact for Je Haughton	effrey R.		03/08/2017	
**Signature of Reporting Person			Date	

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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) Shares surrendered to pay tax liability due on vesting of Restricted Stock Units.
- (2) Restricted Stock Unit award was granted on July 15, 2014. The remaining 20,000 units will vest on July 15, 2017 and July 15, 2018, provided that the Reporting Person remains in continuous service through each vest date.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of PFMT's common stock. The units were awarded at no cost to the Reporting Person.
- (4) Restricted Stock Unit Award granted on April 12, 2016 vests at a rate of 25% annually on the first, second, third and fourth anniversaries of the grant date, provided that the Reporting Person remains in continuous service through each vest date.
- Restricted Stock Unit Award granted on February 22, 2016. 25% of the shares vested on March 7, 2016, with 25% more vesting on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the initial vest date, provided that the Reporting Person remains in continuous service through each vest date.
- Restricted Stock Unit Award granted on March 7, 2015. Upon the achievement of certain financial metrics the grant vested with respect to 50% of the awarded stock units on March 5, 2016, and 25% of the grant on March 5, 2017, and 25% of the grant will vest on March 5, 2018, provided that the Reporting Person remains in continuous service through each vest date.

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