

LADENBURG THALMANN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC
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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 *
 FROST PHILLIP MD ET AL

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 LADENBURG THALMANN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC [LTS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 4400 BISCAYNE BOULEVARD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 08/13/2015

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

MIAMI, FL 33137

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 08/13/2015 | | P | | 7,500 | A | \$ 2.64 |
| | | | | | 12,636,199 | I | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 20,000 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 43,013,431 | I | |
| | | | | | 910,000 | I | |

Frost Gamma Investments Trust ⁽¹⁾

Frost Nevada Investments Trust ⁽²⁾

8.00% Series
A
Cumulative
Redeemable
Preferred
Stock

Frost
Nevada
Investments
Trust ⁽²⁾

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 Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
| | | | | 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 |
| FROST PHILLIP MD ET AL 4400 BISCAYNE BOULEVARD MIAMI, FL 33137 | X | X | | |
| Frost Gamma Investments Trust 4400 BISCAYNE BOULEVARD MIAMI, FL 33137 | | X | | |
| Frost Nevada Investments Trust 4400 BISCAYNE BOULEVARD MIAMI, FL 33137 | | X | | |

Signatures

/s/ Phillip Frost, M.D. 08/14/2015

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ Phillip Frost, M.D.,
Trustee 08/14/2015

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ Phillip Frost, M.D.,
Trustee 08/14/2015

**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) These securities are held by Frost Gamma Investments Trust, of which the Reporting Person is the trustee and Frost Gamma, L.P. is the sole and exclusive beneficiary. The Reporting Person is one of two limited partners of Frost Gamma, L.P. The general partner of Frost Gamma, L.P. is Frost Gamma, Inc., and the sole shareholder of Frost Gamma, Inc. is Frost-Nevada Corporation. The Reporting Person is also the sole shareholder of Frost-Nevada Corporation.

(2) These securities are held by Frost Nevada Investments Trust, of which the Reporting Person is the trustee and Frost-Nevada, L.P. is the sole and exclusive beneficiary. The Reporting Person is one of five limited partners of Frost-Nevada, L.P. and the sole shareholder of Frost-Nevada Corporation, the sole general partner of Frost-Nevada, L.P.

(3) The 8.00% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock is convertible into common stock at a non-fixed conversion rate in connection with a change of control as described in the issuer's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 24, 2013.

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