BALCHEM CORP

Form 4 February 29, 2016

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

Washington, D.C. 20549

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Harris Theodore L

(First) (Middle) (Last)

C/O BALCHEM CORPORATION, 52 SUNRISE PARK ROAD

(Street)

NEW HAMPTON, NY 10958

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

BALCHEM CORP [BCPC]

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

02/23/2016

Symbol

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

_X__ Director

X_ Officer (give title

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

President and CEO

Issuer

below)

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

6. Ownership Form: Direct (I)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

10% Owner

Other (specify

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(Instr. 4)

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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

Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

5.

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionNumber Expiration Date

7. Title and Amount of 8. Pr **Underlying Securities**

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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | of (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | (Instr. 3 and | 3 and 4) Se (I: | | |
|--|--|-------------------------|-----------------|--|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 60.85 | | | | <u>(1)</u> | 02/23/2026 | Common Stock | 24,350 | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|--|--|
| Toporong o who rame, rame of | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| Harris Theodore L C/O BALCHEM CORPORATION 52 SUNRISE PARK ROAD NEW HAMPTON, NY 10958 | X | | President and CEO | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Theodore L. Harris, by Attorney in Fact, Matthew Houston 02/29/2016

**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) 24,350 options vest 20% year 1; 40% year 2; and 40% year 3.

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