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Form 5 obligations may continue. See

Instruction 1(b).

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF Section 16 Form 4 or **SECURITIES** 

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(Print or Type Responses) 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Issuer Malamed Adam Scott Symbol (Check all applicable) LADENBURG THALMANN Director FINANCIAL SERVICES INC [LTS] \_\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below) below) (Middle) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Chief Operating Officer 4400 BISCAYNE BLVD., 12TH (Month/Day/Year) **FLOOR** 01/20/2015 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person MIAMI, FL 33137 (City) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Transaction 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of . Nature of (Instr. 3) Date Execution Date, if Transaction Acquired (A) or Securities Ownership Indirect (Month/Day/Year) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially Form: Beneficial any (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Following Direct (D) (Instr. 8) Ownership Reported or Indirect (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 4) Amount (D) Code 125,000 Common Stock 01/20/2015 A \$0 463,478 D (1) Held by the NFS/FMTC IRA for the Common Stock 5,000 benefit of Adam Malamed 8.00% Series A Cumulative 4,000 (2) D Redeemable Preferred Stock Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of SEC 1474 information contained in this form are not (9-02)required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

> Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned  $(\textit{e.g.}, \texttt{puts}, \texttt{calls}, \texttt{warrants}, \texttt{options}, \texttt{convertible} \ \texttt{securities})$

Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion	Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Securities		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial
				Code	v	·		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.25	01/20/2015		A		50,000		(3)	01/20/2025	Common Stock	50,000	\$0	50,000	D	

## **Reporting Owners**

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Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Malamed Adam Scott 4400 BISCAYNE BLVD., 12TH FLOOR MIAMI, FL 33137			Chief Operating Officer				

#### **Signatures**

/s/ Adam S. Malamed	01/22/2015		
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).
- Restricted shares of common stock issued pursuant to the issuer's Amended and Restated 2009 Incentive Compensation Plan. Restricted
- (1) shares vest in four equal annual installments commencing on the first anniversary of the date of grant provided Mr. Malamed is then still an employee of the issuer, subject to earlier vesting upon his death or disability or a change of control of the issuer.
  - The 8.00% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock is convertible into common stock at a non-fixed conversion rate in
- (2) 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.
- (3) The option will vest in four equal annual installments commencing on the first anniversary of the date of grant provided that Mr. Malamed is then still an employee of the issuer, subject to earlier vesting upon his death or disability or a change of control of the issuer.

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