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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 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) _X_ DirectorX_ 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) | | | |
| (Last) (First) 4400 BISCAYNE BOULEVA | 3. Date of Earliest 08/12/2015 | t Transacti | on (N | /lonth/Da | y/Year | | | | | |
| (Street) MIAMI, FL 33137 | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |
| (City) (State) | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqu | | | | | | ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | ction | (A) or D (D) | (A) or Disposed of I (D) | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | Form: Direct (D) | Beneficial Ownership |
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock | 08/12/2015 | | Р | | 10,000 | А | \$ 2.7 (1) | 12,628,699 | I | Frost Gamma Investments Trust ⁽²⁾ |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 20,000 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 43,013,431 | T | Frost Nevada Investments Trust ⁽³⁾ |
| 8.00% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock | | | | | | | | 910,000 <u>(4)</u> | | Frost Nevada Investments Trust ⁽³⁾ |
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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 | 2. | 3. Transaction | 3A. Deemed | 4. | | 5. Nu | mber | 6. Date Exer | cisable | 7. Tit | tle and | 8. Price of | 9. Number of | 10. | 11. Nature |
| Derivative | Conversion | Date | Execution Date, if | Transacti | on | of | | and Expirati | on Date | Amo | unt of | Derivative | Derivative | Ownership | of Indirect |
| Security | or Exercise | (Month/Day/Year) | any | Code | | Deriv | ative | (Month/Day | /Year) | Unde | rlying | Security | Securities | Form of | Beneficial |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | | Secur | ities | | | Securities | | (Instr. 5) | Beneficially | Derivative | Ownership |
| | Derivative | | | | | Acqu | ired | | | (Instr. 3 and | | | Owned | Security: | (Instr. 4) |
| | Security | | | | | (A) o | r | | | 4) | | | Following | Direct (D) | |
| | | | | | | Dispo | osed | | | | | | Reported | or Indirect | |
| | | | | | | of (D | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | | | | | | Transaction(s) | < / < | |
| | | | | | | (Instr | | | | | | | (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) | |
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| | | | | | | | | Date | Expiration | | or | | | 1 | |
| | | | | | | | | Exercisable | | Title | Number | | | 1 | |
| | | | | | | | | Excicisable | Date | | of | | | 1 | |
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | | | | Shares | | | | |

Reporting Owners

| | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| FROST PHILLIP MD ET AL 4400 BISCAYNE BOULEVARD MIAMI, FL 33137 | Х | Х | | | | | |
| Frost Gamma Investments Trust 4400 BISCAYNE BOULEVARD MIAMI, FL 33137 | | Х | | | | | |
| MIANII, FL 33137 | | | | | | | |

| Frost Nevada Investments Trust 4400 BISCAYNE BOULEVARD MIAMI EL 33137 | |
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Signatures

| /s/ Phillip Frost, M.D. | 08/13/2015 |
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| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date |
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| /s/ Phillip Frost, M.D., Trustee | 08/13/2015 |
| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date |
| | |
| /s/ Phillip Frost, M.D., Trustee | 08/13/2015 |
| 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).
- The price reported is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$2.63 to \$2.73, inclusive. The reporting person (1) undertakes to provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth in footnote (1) to this Form 4.
- 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.(2) 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.
- 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.(3) 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.
- (4) 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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Date of Event Requiring Statement: August 12, 2015

FROST GAMMA INVESTMENTS TRUST

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