

VALSPAR CORP
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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 *
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(Last) (First) (Middle)

P. O. BOX 1461

(Street)

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55440

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
VALSPAR CORP [VAL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
06/01/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common Stock | 06/01/2017 | | A ⁽¹⁾ | 10,061 | A 15,068 | D | |
| Common Stock | 06/01/2017 | | D | 15,068 | D \$ 113 0 | D | |
| Common Stock | 06/01/2017 | | D | 225 ⁽²⁾ | D \$ 113 0 | I | Savings and Retirement and Plan |

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) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 81.72 | 06/01/2017 | | D ⁽³⁾ | 11,503 | ⁽⁴⁾ | 12/01/2024 | Common Stock | 11,503 |
| Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 71.88 | 06/01/2017 | | D ⁽³⁾ | 19,150 | ⁽⁴⁾ | 09/30/2025 | Common Stock | 19,150 |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 06/01/2017 | | D ⁽⁵⁾ | 4,780 | ⁽⁵⁾ | ⁽⁵⁾ | Common Stock | 4,780 |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 06/01/2017 | | D ⁽⁶⁾ | 7,920 | ⁽⁶⁾ | ⁽⁶⁾ | Common Stock | 7,920 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| IRELAND LES H P. O. BOX 1461 MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55440 | | | Executive VP | |

Signatures

/s/ Timothy Beaström, by Power of Attorney

06/05/2017

**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).

Vesting of PSUs upon effectiveness of the merger contemplated by that certain Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement")

(1) by and between The Valspar Corporation, The Sherwin-Williams Company ("Sherwin-Williams") and Viking Merger Sub Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Sherwin-Williams.

(2) Includes 72 shares vested in the Valspar Savings and Retirement Plan from 10/29/2016 through 6/1/2017.

(3) Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, each outstanding option was canceled in exchange for a cash payment equal to the product of (i) the number of shares subject to such option and (ii) the excess of \$113.00 over the exercise price of the option.

(4) The options at an exercise price of \$81.72 vest in equal annual installments on December 1, 2015, 2016 and 2017. The options at an exercise price of \$71.88 vest in equal annual installments on September 30, 2016, 2017 and 2018.

RSUs were to be paid out upon vesting. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, each outstanding RSU was canceled in exchange for a cash payment equal to the product of (i) the number of shares subject to such RSU and (ii) \$113.00. Vesting dates range from January 8, 2018 to January 14, 2019.

(6) Restricted stock unit award granted on 9/27/2016, which is after the date of the Merger Agreement. RSUs were to be paid out upon vesting on 9/27/2019. This award will be converted into an equivalent award relating to shares of Sherwin-Williams common stock on the terms set forth in the Merger Agreement.

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