

RED ROBIN GOURMET BURGERS 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 *
 MUHTAR JONATHAN A.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 RED ROBIN GOURMET BURGERS INC [RRGB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 6312 S. FIDDLER'S GREEN
 CIRCLE, SUITE 200N
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/04/2016

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Chief Marketing Officer

GREENWOOD
 VILLAGE, CO 80111
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/04/2016		A	(A) or (D) 4,170 (1)	\$ 0 4,170 (2)	D	

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)

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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
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 59.94	01/04/2016		A		12,765		<u>(3)</u>	01/04/2026	Common Stock	12,765

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MUHTAR JONATHAN A. 6312 S. FIDDLER'S GREEN CIRCLE SUITE 200N GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111			Chief Marketing Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Michael L. Kaplan, 01/05/2016
 Attorney-in-Fact

 Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Represents a grant of time-based restricted stock units under the issuer's Second Amended and Restated 2007 Performance Incentive Plan. Each time-based restricted stock unit represents the contingent right to receive, upon vesting of the unit, one share of the issuer's common stock. One-third (1/3) of the units are scheduled to vest on each of the first, second, and third anniversaries of the date of grant. The closing price on the date of grant, January 4, 2016, was \$59.94.

(2) Consists of restricted stock units subject to vesting and forfeiture restrictions.

(3) One-third(1/3)of the options are scheduled to vest on each of the first, second, and third anniversaries of the date of grant.

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