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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add Gadd Michael	•	ng Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Clearwater Paper Corp [CLW]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
601 W RIVER	SIDE AVE	, SUITE	(Month/Day/Year) 02/25/2016	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. Vice President		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
SPOKANE, WA 99201			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned		

(City)	(State) (2	Table	I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date		3.	4. Securi			5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)				Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	,	1	Beneficially Owned	(D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial Ownership
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							Reported	(======================================	(
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock (1)	02/25/2016		A	2,517 (2)	A	\$ 0	12,313	D	
Common Stock							84,601	I	Family Trust
Common Stock							53	Ι	401(k)

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 or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 38.75	02/25/2016		A	11,328	(3)	02/25/2026	Common Stock	11,328

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Neboling Owner Name / Address	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Gadd Michael S 601 W RIVERSIDE AVE. SUITE 1100 SPOKANE, WA 99201

Sr. Vice President

Signatures

/s/ Michael S.

Gadd 02/29/2016

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Represents award of restricted stock units ("RSUs"). RSUs may be settled only for shares of common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- Represents award of RSUs that will vest on December 31, 2018, assuming continued employment. During the vesting period, an amount equal to the dividends that would have been paid on the RSUs had they been in the form of common stock will be converted into additional RSUs.
- (3) The option becomes exercisable on December 31, 2018, assuming continued employment.

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