

NORDSON CORP  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
THAXTON GREGORY A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

28601 CLEMENS ROAD

(Street)

WESTLAKE, OH 44145

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
NORDSON CORP [NDSN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/28/2015

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)  
Senior Vice President, CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	11/28/2015		F	314 D \$ 72.74	41,036	D (1)	
Common Stock	12/01/2015		A	4,731 A \$ 0	45,767	D (2)	
Common Stock					1,360	I	By Company ESOP Plan (3)
Common Stock					9,047	I	By Company Savings

Plan <sup>(4)</sup>

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)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 26.46					<sup>(5)</sup> 12/05/2017		Common Stock	4,800
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 14.37					<sup>(5)</sup> 12/04/2018		Common Stock	13,100
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 27.26					<sup>(5)</sup> 12/03/2019		Common Stock	11,250
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 43.32					<sup>(5)</sup> 12/07/2020		Common Stock	11,400
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 43.73					<sup>(5)</sup> 11/28/2021		Common Stock	13,000

buy)					
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 61.59	(6)	11/28/2022	Common Stock	11,000
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 71.75	(7)	11/25/2023	Common Stock	11,000
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 79.66	(8)	11/24/2024	Common Stock	12,200
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 70.91	(9)	11/23/2025	Common Stock	17,200

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
THAXTON GREGORY A 28601 CLEMENS ROAD WESTLAKE, OH 44145			Senior Vice President, CFO	

## Signatures

Robert E. Veillette,  
Attorney-In-Fact

12/01/2015

\*\*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).

(1) On November 28, 2012, the Company awarded 2,000 restricted shares under the Company's Long-Term Performance Plan. One-third of the restricted shares vested on each of November 28, 2013, 2014 and 2015. 314 of the 668 shares that vested November 28, 2015 were withheld to cover withholding taxes due upon vesting. The holdings are net of shares previously withheld, or sold under a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, to cover withholding taxes.

(2) Award of performance share units under the Company's 2012 Stock Incentive and Award Plan that were earned upon the achievement of performance measures over a 3-year performance period ended October 31, 2015. The performance share units are settled in common shares on a one-to-one basis on the settlement date.

(3)

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Represents the number of shares attributable to the reporting person's participation in the Company's Employee Stock Ownership Plan, exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3(c). The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.

- (4) Represents the number of shares attributable to the reporting person's participation in the Company's Savings Plan, exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3(c). The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.
- (5) All such options have fully vested
  - On November 28, 2012, the Company awarded 11,000 stock options under the Company's Long-Term Performance Plan. The options
- (6) vest in 4 equal annual installments beginning on November 28, 2013. The vested portions of such options will become exercisable upon vesting.
  - On November 25, 2013, the Company awarded 11,000 stock options under the Company's 2012 Stock Incentive and Award Plan. The
- (7) options vest in 4 equal annual installments beginning on November 25, 2014. The vested portions of such options will become exercisable upon vesting.
  - On November 24, 2014, the Company awarded 12,200 stock options under the Company's 2012 Stock Incentive and Award Plan. The
- (8) options vest in 4 equal annual installments beginning on November 24, 2015. The vested portions of such options will become exercisable upon vesting.
  - On November 23, 2015, the Company awarded 17,200 stock options under the Company's 2012 Stock Incentive and Award Plan. The
- (9) options vest in 4 equal annual installments beginning on November 23, 2016. The vested portions of such options will become exercisable upon vesting.

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