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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **Branderiz Eric** Issuer Symbol Tesla, Inc. [TSLA] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O TESLA, INC., 3500 DEER 11/10/2017 below) **CREEK ROAD** VP, Chief Accounting Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

PALO ALTO, CA 94304

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative	Secui	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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)
Common Stock	11/10/2017		M(1)	1,736	A	\$ 181.45	1,736	D	
Common Stock	11/10/2017		S <u>(1)</u>	1,736	D	\$ 302.31	0	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)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares
S	Non-Qualified Stock Option right to buy)	\$ 181.45	11/10/2017		M	1,736	(2)	11/14/2026	Common Stock	1,73

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Branderiz Eric C/O TESLA, INC. 3500 DEER CREEK ROAD PALO ALTO, CA 94304

VP, Chief Accounting Officer

Signatures

Jonathan Chang, Power of Attorney for Eric Branderiz

11/14/2017

**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).
- (1) The exercise and sale transactions reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on June 9, 2017.
- (2) 1/4th of the shares subject to the option became vested and exercisable on 10/24/2017 and 1/48th of the shares subject to the option shall become vested and exercisable every month thereafter.

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