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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Rice Michael

(First)

(Street)

(State)

02/25/2019

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BIOLIFE SOLUTIONS INC [BLFS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

President & CEO

Issuer

below)

(Last)

(City)

Common

Stock

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

02/25/2019

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O BIOLIFE SOLUTIONS. INC., 3303 MONTE VILLA PARKWAY, SUITE 310

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

Securities

Owned

Beneficially

Following

BOTHELL, WA 98021

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Price Amount (D)

35,497 A <u>(1)</u> 175,014 D (1)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities 1
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Award	\$ 0	02/25/2019		A	35,497 (2)	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	35,497

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Rice Michael					
C/O BIOLIFE SOLUTIONS, INC.	v		President		
3303 MONTE VILLA PARKWAY, SUITE 310	X		& CEO		
BOTHELL, WA 98021					

Signatures

/s/ Michael Rice

02/27/2019

**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) The restricted stock was granted pursuant to the BioLife Solutions 2013 Performance Incentive Plan and vests 25% on the first anniversary of the grant date and thereafter quarterly, in 12 equal quarterly installments.
 - The restricted stock was granted pursuant to the BioLife Solutions 2013 Performance Incentive Plan. The restricted stock will vest on the date that the registrant files its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended 2020 and will vest as to between 0% and 200% of
- (2) the reported number of shares in column 5 based on the registrant's total shareholder return during the period beginning on January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020 as compared to the total shareholder return of 20 of the registrant's peers (such peers have been determined by the registrant's compensation committee with assistance of an outside consultant immediately prior to the grant date).

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