

Extended Stay America, Inc.
Form 4
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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 *
LOPEZ GERARDO I

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O EXTENDED STAY AMERICA, INC., 11525 N. COMMUNITY HOUSE ROAD, SUITE 100

(Street)

CHARLOTTE, NC 28277

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Extended Stay America, Inc. [STAY]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/24/2016

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)
See Remarks

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)		
				Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	
Paired Shares ⁽¹⁾ ₍₂₎	02/24/2016		A		270,000	A	\$ 0	870,000	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. 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 of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LOPEZ GERARDO I C/O EXTENDED STAY AMERICA, INC. 11525 N. COMMUNITY HOUSE ROAD, SUITE 100 CHARLOTTE, NC 28277	X		See Remarks	

Signatures

/s/ Christopher Dekle, Attorney-in-Fact for Gerardo I. Lopez

02/25/2016

__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).

- The reported transaction is an award of Restricted Stock Units in respect of Paired Shares. Each Paired Share is comprised of one share of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of Extended Stay America, Inc. and one share of Class B common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of ESH Hospitality, Inc., which shares are paired and traded as a single unit. A Form 4 reflecting the transaction in Paired Shares
- (1) by the reporting person shown on this Form 4 has been concurrently filed with respect to ESH Hospitality, Inc. as issuer. Subject to the reporting person's continued employment through the applicable vesting date, these Restricted Stock Units are scheduled to vest annually over a three-year period such that one-third of the Restricted Stock Units will vest on each of March 12, 2017, March 12, 2018 and March 12, 2019.
 - (2) Vested Restricted Stock Units will be settled in Paired Shares on March 15th next following the applicable vesting date (or, in any year when the 15th of March falls on a non-business day, the business day immediately prior to such date).

Remarks:

Mr. Lopez is the President and Chief Executive Officer and a Director of Extended Stay America, Inc. and ESH Hospitality, Inc.

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