Poitras Kevin J Form 4 March 08, 2013

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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10% Owner

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

Poitras Kevin J

GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

[GD]

(Middle)

Symbol

(Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director X_ Officer (give title

(Month/Day/Year) 03/06/2013

_ Other (specify below)

Vice President

C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION, 2941 FAIRVIEW

(Street)

(First)

PARK DRIVE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042

(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) nor Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value	03/05/2013		D V	2 055 707	D	\$ 0	5,561	D		
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value	03/06/2013		A	3,060 (2)	A	\$0	8,621	D		
Common Stock,	03/06/2013		A V	3,060 (3)	A	\$ 0	11,681	D		

\$1.00 par value

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)	r) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)		Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day,	ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 67.7	03/06/2013		A	47,130	<u>(4)</u>	03/05/2020	Common Stock	47,130

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Poitras Kevin J C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION 2941 FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042

Vice President

Signatures

Neal Wheeler, by power of attorney 03/08/2013

**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) Represents restricted stock units ("RSUs") granted in 2012 and accrued dividend equivalents that were forfeited due to the performance metric not being met.
- (2) Represents shares of restricted stock subject to service-based vesting that will be released approximately four years after the grant date.

(3)

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Represents a target number of RSUs each of which entitles the Reporting Person to receive one share of General Dynamics common stock. The number of RSUs ultimately earned by the Reporting Person will be determined based on a performance metric tied to return on invested capital during the year of grant, and may range from 0% to 200% of the target amount. Following the performance period, the earned RSUs are subject to an additional three year time-vesting period.

(4) Fifty percent become exercisable on 3/6/2014 and the remaining fifty percent become exercisable on 3/6/2015.

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