KESTER W CARL Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

KESTER W CARL

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

BLACKROCK FLOATING RATE

INCOME TRUST [BGT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 10/13/2017

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Issuer

below)

X Director

Officer (give title

NEW YORK, NY 10055

55 EAST 52ND STREET

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

Other (specify

Estimated average

burden hours per

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

7. Title and Amount of 8 1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date **Underlying Securities** Conversion (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Security or Exercise Code Securities

D

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquire (A) or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)	ed of				(I
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Rights (1)	(2)	10/13/2017		A	91.88		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	91.88

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting owner runner runners	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
KESTER W CARL 55 EAST 52ND STREET NEW YORK, NY 10055	X						

Signatures

/s/ Eugene Drozdetski as Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of 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).

Date

- (1) The Performance Rights were accrued under the BlackRock Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (2) One Performance Right is convertible into the cash value of one share of BlackRock Floating Rate Income Trust.
- (3) The Performance Rights are to be settled 100% in cash at the deferral period chosen by the reporting person.

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