NETSCOUT SYSTEMS INC

Form 4

October 27, 2016

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

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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

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

HADZIMA JOSEPH G JR

(First) (Middle)

(Zip)

C/O NETSCOUT SYSTEMS.

WESTFORD, MA 01886

INC., 310 LITTLETON ROAD

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

NETSCOUT SYSTEMS INC [NTCT]

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

10/25/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

(A) or

Code V Amount (D) Price

Beneficially (I)

6. Ownership

Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

Other (specify

7. Nature of

Issuer

below)

X_ Director

Applicable Line)

5. Amount of

Securities

Following

Reported

Transaction(s)

Owned

Officer (give title

Estimated average

burden hours per

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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 Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

5. Number

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date

7. Title and Amount of 8. Pr Underlying Securities

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed o (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)	Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (I	D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(1)</u>	10/25/2016		A	4,741	(3)	(2)	Common Stock	4,741	4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HADZIMA JOSEPH G JR

C/O NETSCOUT SYSTEMS, INC.
310 LITTLETON ROAD

WESTFORD, MA 01886

Signatures

/s/ Greg Sloan, by Power of Attorney

10/26/2016

**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).
- (1) Price is N/A.
- (2) Date is N/A.

All of the Restricted Stock Units vest on the date of the Company's Annual Meeting to occur in 2017, provided that during the period from the date of grant through the date of such Annual Meeting, the reporting person attends at least 75% of the meetings, collectively, of the Board and any committee of the Board of which the reporting person is a member. In the event that the attendance requirements are not met, the Restricted Stock Units will not become vested until 10/25/2019.

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