

NORDSON CORP
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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 *
MERK GREGORY P

(Last) (First) (Middle)
28601 CLEMENS ROAD
(Street)

WESTLAKE, OH 44145

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NORDSON CORP [NDSN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/26/2016

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)
Senior Vice President

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price			
Common Stock	02/26/2016		M	7,000 A \$ 24.39	46,755	D ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock	02/26/2016		S	7,000 D \$ 71.63 ₍₂₎	39,812	D ⁽³⁾	
Common Stock					203	I	By Company Savings Plan ⁽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 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. Amount or Number of Shares		
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 24.39	02/26/2016		M		7,000		(5)	11/22/2016	Common Stock	7,000
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 26.46							(5)	12/05/2017	Common Stock	13,600
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 14.37							(5)	12/04/2018	Common Stock	22,800
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 27.26							(5)	12/03/2019	Common Stock	12,200
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 43.32							(5)	12/07/2020	Common Stock	9,000
Employee Stock Options	\$ 43.73							(5)	11/28/2021	Common Stock	10,000

(right to
buy)

Employee

Stock

Options \$ 61.59

(right to
buy)

(6)

11/28/2022

Common
Stock

7,600

Employee

Stock

Options \$ 71.75

(right to
buy)

(7)

11/25/2023

Common
Stock

7,600

Employee

Stock

Options \$ 79.66

(right to
buy)

(8)

11/24/2024

Common
Stock

8,300

Employee

Stock

Options \$ 70.91

(right to
buy)

(9)

11/23/2025

Common
Stock

13,400

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MERK GREGORY P 28601 CLEMENS ROAD WESTLAKE, OH 44145			Senior Vice President	

Signatures

Robert E. Veillette,
Attorney-In-Fact

02/29/2016

__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) Exercise of reporting person's stock options of which shares were sold to pay the exercise price, to cover withholding taxes, and to pay broker fees and commissions, pursuant to a broker-assisted cashless exercise. The holdings are net of shares previously withheld or sold to cover withholding taxes.

(2) Price reflected is the weighted-average sale price for shares sold. The shares were sold in multiple transactions, and the range of sale prices for the transactions reported was \$71.58 to \$71.68. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or any staff member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

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- (3) The holdings include 57 shares acquired through participation in the Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan, and are net of shares previously withheld or sold to cover withholding taxes.
- (4) Represents the number of shares attributable to the reporting person's participation in the Company's Savings Plan, exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3(c). The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.
- (5) All such options have fully vested.
- (6) On November 28, 2012, the Company awarded 7,600 stock options under the Company's Long-Term Performance Plan. The options vest in 4 equal annual installments beginning on November 28, 2013. The vested portions of such options will become exercisable upon vesting.
- (7) On November 25, 2013, the Company awarded 7,600 stock options under the Company's 2012 Stock Incentive and Award Plan. The options vest in 4 equal annual installments beginning on November 25, 2014. The vested portions of such options will become exercisable upon vesting.
- (8) On November 24, 2014, the Company awarded 8,300 stock options under the Company's 2012 Stock Incentive and Award Plan. The options vest in 4 equal annual installments beginning on November 24, 2015. The vested portions of such options will become exercisable upon vesting.
- (9) On November 23, 2015, the Company awarded 13,400 stock options under the Company's 2012 Stock Incentive and Award Plan. The options vest in 4 equal annual installments beginning on November 23, 2016. The vested portions of such options will become exercisable upon vesting.

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