

NanoString Technologies Inc  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 GHESQUIERE DAVID W.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 NanoString Technologies Inc  
 [NSTG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 530 FAIRVIEW AVENUE NORTH  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 11/10/2016

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 SVP, Corporate & Business Dev

SEATTLE, WA 98109  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | 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)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3)<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8)<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | Code | V | (A)    | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title        | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
|--|------------------|--|------|---|--------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>            | \$ 0             | 11/10/2016   | A    |   | 7,500  |     | (2)                 | (2)                | Common Stock | 7,500                               |
| Stock Options (right to buy)                     | \$ 22.68         | 11/10/2016   | A    |   | 15,000 |     | (3)                 | 11/09/2026         | Common Stock | 15,000                              |

**Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                               |       |  |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|--|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                       | Other |  |
| GHESQUIERE DAVID W.<br>530 FAIRVIEW AVENUE NORTH<br>SEATTLE, WA 98109 |               |           | SVP, Corporate & Business Dev |       |  |

**Signatures**

/s/ Shannon Atchison,  
Attorney-in-Fact

11/14/2016

\_\_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) Each restricted stock unit ("RSU") represents a contingent right to receive one (1) share of Issuer's common stock.
- 1/3 of the RSUs vest on the first market trading day following the first anniversary of November 10, 2016 (the "RSU Vesting Commencement Date"), and 1/3 of the RSUs vest annually each year on the first market trading day after the second and third anniversary of the RSU Vesting Commencement Date, in each case, subject to Participant's continuing to be a Service Provider (as defined in the 2013 Equity Incentive Plan) through each such date.

- (3) The shares subject to this option shall vest at a rate of 1/48th of the total number of shares on the one-month anniversary of November 10, 2016 (the "Option Vesting Commencement Date"), and 1/48th of the total number of shares vest each monthly anniversary of the Option Vesting Commencement Date thereafter, for so long as the recipient of the option remains a Service Provider, such that the total number of shares shall be fully vested on the four-year anniversary of the Option Vesting Commencement Date.

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