Energy Recovery, Inc. Form 4 March 10, 2016

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SMITH LENOX SHARON E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

Energy Recovery, Inc. [ERII]

(First) (Middle) (Last)

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

Director X_ Officer (give title

below)

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O ENERGY RECOVERY, 1717

(Street)

DOOLITTLE DRIVE

below)

03/08/2016

Corporate Controller and CAO 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

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

Applicable Line)

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Person

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

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(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following Reported

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

(A)

Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Stock (1)

(Instr. 3)

03/08/2016

A 5,934 Α

\$0 5,934 D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number out 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.52	03/08/2016		A	9,843	<u>(2)</u>	03/08/2026	Common Stock	9,843

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SMITH LENOX SHARON E C/O ENERGY RECOVERY 1717 DOOLITTLE DRIVE SAN LEANDRO, CA 94577

Corporate Controller and CAO

Signatures

/s/ Lemyrtle Thompson, Attorney-in-Fact for Sharon Smith-Lenox

03/10/2016

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**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) Restricted Stock Units which represent a contingent right to receive shares of common stock. 25% of these restricted stock units fully vest on the 1st anniversary of the vesting start date of 03/8/2016; thereafter, the remaining 75% vest 1/36th per month.
- (2) 25% of these options fully vest on the 1st anniversary of the vesting start date of 03/8/2016; thereafter, the remaining 75% vest 1/36th per month.

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