

NANOPHASE TECHNOLOGIES Corp  
 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 \*  
**CESARIO FRANK**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**NANOPHASE TECHNOLOGIES Corp [NANX]**

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**1319 MARQUETTE DRIVE**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**02/23/2016**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Chief Financial Officer**

**ROMEDEVILLE, IL 60446**  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	83,783	D	

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)**

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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. 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)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$ 1.07					06/24/2010 <sup>(1)</sup> 06/24/2019	Common Stock	20,000
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$ 1.7					05/03/2011 <sup>(1)</sup> 05/03/2020	Common Stock	20,000
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$ 1.26					05/02/2012 <sup>(1)</sup> 05/02/2021	Common Stock	31,000
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$ 0.3					08/07/2013 <sup>(1)</sup> 08/07/2022	Common Stock	13,660
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$ 0.415					02/14/2014 <sup>(1)</sup> 02/14/2023	Common Stock	13,000
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$ 0.52					02/13/2015 <sup>(1)</sup> 02/13/2024	Common Stock	40,000
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$ 0.44					02/18/2016 <sup>(1)</sup> 02/18/2025	Common Stock	36,000
Common Stock	\$ 0.42	02/23/2016		A	31,500	02/23/2017 <sup>(1)</sup> 02/23/2026	Common Stock	31,500

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CESARIO FRANK  
1319 MARQUETTE DRIVE  
ROMEDEVILLE, IL 60446

Chief Financial Officer

## Signatures

/s/ Frank  
Cesario

02/24/2016

    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) Subject to certain restrictions, beginning on this date, options vest in three equal annual installments.

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