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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Donahue Paul D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

GENUINE PARTS CO [GPC]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

2999 CIRCLE 75 PKWY

below) President

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

Applicable Line)

(Month/Day/Year)

04/01/2016

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

below)

ATLANTA, GA 30339

(City) (State) (Zip) 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

Reported (A) Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amo
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	orDerivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Secu
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				
				Code V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Ar or Nu of
Stock Appreciation Right (1)	\$ 99.72	04/01/2016		A	19,730	04/01/2017(2)	04/01/2026	Common Stock	19
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) (1)	\$ 99.72	04/01/2016		A	19,730	04/01/2017(2)	04/01/2026	Common Stock	19
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 (3)	04/01/2016		A	8,025	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	8

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Donahue Paul D						
2999 CIRCLE 75 PKWY			President			
ATLANTA, GA 30339						

Signatures

David A. Haskett Attorney in Fact 04/04/2016

**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) The stock appreciation right and the employee stock option were granted in tandem. Accordingly, the exercise of one results in the expiration of the other.
- (2) The stock appreciation rights vest 1/3 per year beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date provided the reporting person is still employed on those dates, subject to earlier vesting in certain events.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of GPC common stock at a future date.
- The restricted stock units will be earned on December 31, 2016 provided certain pre-tax profit targets are achieved by GPC for fiscal year (4) 2016. If earned, the units will vest and convert to shares of common stock on December 1, 2020 provided the reporting person is still employed on that date, subject to earlier vesting in certain events.

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