

PIER 1 IMPORTS INC/DE
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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 *
Benkel Michael R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O PIER 1 IMPORTS, INC., 100
PIER 1 PLACE

(Street)

FORT WORTH, TX 76102

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
PIER 1 IMPORTS INC/DE [PIR]

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

05/11/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)

Exec VP-Global Supply Chain

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
common stock	05/11/2016		J ⁽¹⁾	V	43.9719	A	\$ 5.7
					202,249.5671	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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Benkel Michael R C/O PIER 1 IMPORTS, INC. 100 PIER 1 PLACE FORT WORTH, TX 76102			Exec VP-Global Supply Chain	

Signatures

/s/ Michael R. Benkel By: Christopher L. Mabe
Atty-in-Fact 05/12/2016

**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).
- On May 11, 2016, the Pier 1 Imports, Inc. Stock Purchase Plan purchased in a transaction exempt under rule 16b-3(c), 43,9719 shares of common stock for the reporting person's account. Such shares are with respect to a \$0.07 per common share dividend paid by the Issuer (1) on May 11, 2016 (the dividend payment date) on shares held in the reporting person's account as of April 27, 2016 (the record date for the dividend). The dividend paid was reinvested at the closing price of the Issuer's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on May 11, 2016.

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