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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement Nielsen Holdings plc [NLSN] À POWELL JAMES T (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2016 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O NIELSEN HOLDINGS (Check all applicable) PLC, Â 85 BROAD STREET (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director \_X\_\_ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Chief Technology Officer Person NEW YORK, NYÂ 10004 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock 107,273 (1) D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security 2. Date Exercisable and 3. Title and Amount of 6. Nature of Indirect (Instr. 4) **Expiration Date** Securities Underlying Conversion Ownership Beneficial Ownership (Month/Day/Year) **Derivative Security** or Exercise Form of (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative Derivative Security: Title Direct (D) Security

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Options to purchase Common Stock	(2)	10/28/2022	Common Stock	40,025	\$ 48.35	D	Â

#### **Reporting Owners**

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
POWELL JAMES T						
C/O NIELSEN HOLDINGS PLC	â	â	Chief Technology Officer	â		
85 BROAD STREET	A	Α	A Chief Technology Officer	A		
NEW YORK, NY 10004						

Date

### **Signatures**

/s/ Harris Black, Authorized
Signatory
01/11/2016

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Includes (a) 100,510 restricted stock units of the Issuer, which vest in four annual installments on July 23, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019; and (b) 6,763 restricted stock units of the Issuer, which vest in four annual installments on October 28, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019.
- (2) Reflects a grant of options to purchase 40,025 shares, which vest in four equal annual installments on October 28, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019.

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