

NORTHWEST PIPE CO
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ^ Wilkins Aaron (Last) (First) (Middle) 5721 SE COLUMBIA WAY SUITE 200 (Street) VANCOUVER, ^ WA ^ 98661 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 09/22/2016	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NORTHWEST PIPE CO [NWPX]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) VP of Finance & Corp Controller	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	78	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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Title	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Restricted Stock Units	Â (1)	Â (1)	Common Stock	65 (2)	\$ (2)	D	Â
Performance Shares	Â (3)	Â (3)	Common Stock	592	\$ (3)	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Wilkins Aaron 5721 SE COLUMBIA WAY SUITE 200 VANCOUVER, WA 98661	Â	Â	Â VP of Finance & Corp Controller	Â

Signatures

/s/ Aaron Wilkins 09/23/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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) The Restricted Stock Units vest on January 15, 2017.
- (2) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Northwest Pipe Company common stock.
- (3) Performance Shares vest in an amount ranging from 0-200% to the extent such Performance Shares are earned. Performance Shares are earned based on Northwest Pipe Company's total shareholder return for a specific time period relative to the total shareholder return of a peer group over the same period.

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