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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

Shares

without Par Value 12/31/2018

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Tacchetti Gregory A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol State Auto Financial CORP [STFC]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction					,	(Check all applicable)			
518 E. BROAD STREET			(Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2018						Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President			
	4. If Amendment, Date Original						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check					
COLUMBU	Filed(Month/Day/Year)						Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owner.									ly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deen (Month/Day/Year) Execution any (Month/E			Code (Instr.	8)	4. Security (A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose 4 and (A) or	d of (D) 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	()	Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
Common Shares without Par Value	12/31/2018			F(1)	V	Amount 283	(D)	Price \$ 34.04	16,124.33 (2)	D		
Common												

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.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title a	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Tacchetti Gregory A 518 E. BROAD STREET COLUMBUS, OH 43215

Senior Vice President

Signatures

/s/Gregory A. Tacchetti, by Melissa A. Centers, attorney in fact pursuant to POA filed with Commission 11-16-15.

01/02/2019

**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).
 - Represents common shares surrendered by the reporting person to STFC (or disposed to the issuer thereof) for payment of tax liability incident to a prior stock awards of 2,376 and 10,000 common shares in which 792 shares out of the 2,376 vested on 12/31/18; and 2,500
- (1) shares out of the 10,000 shares vested on 12/31/18. Prior thereto, such disposition to the issuer had been approved by the STFC Compensation Committee pursuant to Rule 16b-3(e) and is therefore exempt from the provisions of Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The price per share of \$34.04 represents the closing price of STFC's common shares on December 31, 2018.
- (2) Includes the following acquisitions: 4.739229 shares acquired in September 2018 as Restricted Dividend Reinvestment; and 105.288 shares acquired in September 2018 as DRIP shares.

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