NETSCOUT SYSTEMS INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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10% Owner

Other (specify

See Instruction 1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Perretta Christopher

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

NETSCOUT SYSTEMS INC

[NTCT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 09/20/2016

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

C/O NETSCOUT SYSTEMS. INC., 310 LITTLETON ROAD

(First)

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

below)

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

X_ Director

Officer (give title

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

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

WESTFORD, MA 01886

(State) (Zip) 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Middle)

Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

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

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

Common 09/20/2016 Stock

2.594 M (1)

<u>(2)</u> 4,794 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. Transactic 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	(2)	09/20/2016		M	2,594	09/20/2016	<u>(3)</u>	Common	2,594

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Perretta Christopher C/O NETSCOUT SYSTEMS, INC. 310 LITTLETON ROAD WESTFORD, MA 01886



Signatures

/s/ Greg Sloan, by Power of Attorney

09/21/2016

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).

Relationships

- (1) The shares of Common Stock were acquired upon the vesting of certain Restricted Stock Units previously granted to the reporting person.
- (2) Price is N/A
- (3) Date is N/A

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