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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> GRAY R BRADLEY	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NanoString Technologies Inc [NSTG]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
(Last) (First) (Middle) 530 FAIRVIEW AVENUE N.	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/06/2017	_X_ Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) President and CEO
(Street) SEATTLE, WA 98109	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)		of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	02/06/2017		M	10,416	A	<u>(1)</u>	78,184	D		
Common Stock	02/06/2017		F	3,047 (2)	D	\$ 18.8	75,137	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)

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 orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		vative Expiration Date urities Acquired (Month/Day/Year) or Disposed of		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	02/06/2017		M		10,416	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	10,4
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.8	02/06/2017		A	60,000		<u>(4)</u>	02/05/2027	Common Stock	60,0
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(5)</u>	02/06/2017		A	30,000		<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	30,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
GRAY R BRADLEY 530 FAIRVIEW AVENUE N.	X		President and CEO				
SEATTLE, WA 98109							

Signatures

/s/ Shannon Atchison, Attorney-in-Fact 02/08/2017

**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).
- (1) Restricted stock units ("RSUs") convert into Common Stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) The reported shares were withheld to cover the reporting person's tax liability in connection with the vesting of RSUs. These shares were not issued to or sold by the reporting person.
- (3) On February 3, 2016, the reporting person was granted 31,250 RSUs, vesting in three equal installments beginning on the first market trading day following the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (4) The shares subject to this option shall vest at a rate of 1/48th of the total number of shares vest on the one-month anniversary of February 6, 2017 (the "Option Vesting Commencement Date") and 1/48th of the total number of shares each monthly anniversary of the Option Vesting Commencement Date thereafter (and if there is no corresponding day, on the last day of the month) for so long as the recipient of

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the option remains a "Service Provider" (as defined in the 2013 Plan) of the Company, such that the total number of shares shall be fully vested on the four-year anniversary of the Option Vesting Commencement Date.

- (5) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one (1) share of Issuer's common stock.
 - 1/3 of the RSUs vest on the first market trading day following the first anniversary of March 6, 2017 (the "RSU Vesting Commencement Date"), and 1/3 of the RSUs vest annually each year on the first market trading day after the second and third anniversary of the RSU
- Vesting Commencement Date, in each case, subject to Participant's continuing to be a Service Provider (as defined in the 2013 Equity Incentive Plan) through each such date.

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