

Werner Karl William
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Werner Karl William

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 RITCHIE BROS AUCTIONEERS INC [RBA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/08/2017

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 Ch. Op. & Supp. Dev. Officer

C/O RITCHIE BROS.
 AUCTIONEERS INC., 9500
 GLENLYON PARKWAY

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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BURNABY, A1 V5J 0C6

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|----------------------|---|------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | | | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | | | | |
| Common Shares | 12/08/2017 | | M | | 5,400 | A | \$ 24.39 | 5,400 | D | |
| Common Shares | 12/08/2017 | | S | | 5,400 | D | \$ 28.68 | 0 | D | |
| Common Shares | | | | | | | | 2,885 ⁽¹⁾ | I | Employee Stock Purchase Plan |
| Common | | | | | | | | 27,896 | I | Long-Term |

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Shares

Investment Plan

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 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 24.39 | 12/08/2017 | | M | 5,400 | 02/28/2009 02/28/2018 | Common Shares | 5,400 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Werner Karl William C/O RITCHIE BROS. AUCTIONEERS INC. 9500 GLENLYON PARKWAY BURNABY, A1 V5J 0C6 | | | Ch. Op. & Supp. Dev. Officer | |

Signatures

Maria Teresa Punsalan as attorney-in-fact for Karl William Werner

12/11/2017

**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) Includes all Employee Stock Purchase Plan purchases through December 8, 2017

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