Rocket Fuel Inc. Form 4 June 20, 2016

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Frankel Richard A.

(First) (Middle) (Last)

1900 SEAPORT BLVD

(Street)

REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol Rocket Fuel Inc. [FUEL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

06/10/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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\_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) **Executive Vice President** 

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

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Ownership

Person

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if

Code (Month/Day/Year)

3.

TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D) Price

4. Securities

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Form: Direct (I)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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

Conversion or Exercise

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Securities Code Acquired (A) or

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Am Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	:. 8) Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
	Security			Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	A N Sl
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.58	06/10/2016		D		626,344	<u>(1)</u>	12/04/2022	Common Stock	6
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.21	06/10/2016		D		98,250	<u>(3)</u>	03/07/2023	Common Stock	9
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 51.16	06/10/2016		D		92,250	<u>(5)</u>	02/06/2024	Common Stock	9
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.23	06/13/2016		A	360,796		<u>(7)</u>	06/13/2023	Common Stock	3

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Frankel Richard A.			Executive				
1900 SEAPORT BLVD	X		Vice				
REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063			President				
Signatures							
/s/ Ken Scully, as attorney-in-fact Frankel	A.	06/20/2016					
**Signature of Reporting P		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) This option provided for the shares subject to the option to vest and become exercisable in equal monthly installments over four years beginning on March 25, 2012.
- (2) On June 10, 2016, the Issuer canceled, pursuant to the Issuer's option exchange program, an option for 626,344 shares of Rocket Fuel common stock granted to the reporting person on December 4, 2012. In exchange, the reporting person received a replacement option, for

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- 313,172 shares, having an exercise price of \$2.23 per share.
- (3) This option provided for one-fourth of the shares subject to the option to vest and become exercisable on March 1, 2014 and one forty-eighth of the shares to vest and become exercisable monthly thereafter.
- On June 10, 2016, the Issuer canceled, pursuant to the Issuer's option exchange program, an option for 98,250 shares of Rocket Fuel common stock granted to the reporting person on March 7, 2013. In exchange, the reporting person received a replacement option, for 24,562 shares, having an exercise price of \$2.23 per share.
- (5) This option provided for one-fourth of the shares subject to the option to vest and become exercisable on February 6, 2015 and one forty-eighth of the shares to vest and become exercisable monthly thereafter.
- On June 10, 2016, the Issuer canceled, pursuant to the Issuer's option exchange program, an option for 92,250 shares of Rocket Fuel common stock granted to the reporting person on February 6, 2014. In exchange, the reporting person received a replacement option, for 23,062 shares, having an exercise price of \$2.23 per share.
- (7) Shares subject to an option that vest and become exercisable in equal monthly installments over three years beginning on June 13, 2016.
- On June 10, 2016, the Issuer canceled, pursuant to the Issuer's option exchange program, three options totaling 816,844 shares with a weighted average exercise price of \$12.17 per share. In exchange, thereporting person received four replacement options, for a total of 360,796 shares, having an exercise price of \$2.23 per share.

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