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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement Performant Financial Corp [PFMT] A Haughton Jeffrey (Month/Day/Year) 08/04/2015 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 333 NORTH CANYONS (Check all applicable) **PARKWAY** (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting **Executive Vice President** Person LIVERMORE, Â CAÂ 94551 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock 6,125 D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security 2. Date Exercisable and 3. Title and Amount of 6. Nature of Indirect **Expiration Date** (Instr. 4) Securities Underlying Conversion Ownership Beneficial Ownership (Month/Day/Year) **Derivative Security** or Exercise Form of (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative Derivative Security: Title Direct (D) Security

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	(1)	07/15/2024	Common Stock	100,000	\$ 10.55	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	07/15/2024	Common Stock	30,000	\$ 0	D	Â
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	(3)	03/17/2025	Common Stock	100,000	\$ 3.57	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	03/17/2025	Common Stock	75,000	\$ 0	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Haughton Jeffrey 333 NORTH CANYONS PARKWAY LIVERMORE Â CAÂ 94551	Â	Â	Executive Vice President	Â		

Signatures

/s/ Hakan Orvell 08/21/2015

**Signature of Person Date

Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- The Stock Option Award was granted on 7/15/2014. The option grant will vest over a four-year period. 27,083 options have become vested and exercisable as of 8/15/2015. The remaining options will become vested and exercisable in monthly installments until 7/25/2018.
- Restricted Stock Unit award was granted on 7/15/2014. 10,000 Restricted Stock Units were previously exercised with 3,875 shares of common stock surrendered to pay tax liability due on vesting of the Restricted Stock Units. The remaining 30,000 units will vest and become exercisable in 10,000 unit increments on each of 7/15/2016, 7/15/2017, and 7/15/2018.
- The Stock Option Award was granted on 3/17/2015. The option grant will vest over a four-year period. Currently, none of the options are exercisable and all of the options are outstanding. 25,000 options will vest and become exercisable on 3/17/2016. The remaining options will vest and become exercisable on a monthly basis from 4/17/2016 until 7/25/2019.
- Restricted Stock Unit award was granted on 3/17/2015. Currently, none of the Restricted Stock Units have vested and all of the Restricted (4) Stock Units are outstanding. 37,500 units will vest and become exercisable on 3/05/2016, 18,750 units will vest and become exercisable on 3/05/2017 and the remaining 18,750 units will vest and become exercisable on 3/05/2018.

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