STRANGFELD JOHN R JR

Form 4

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10% Owner

_X__ Officer (give title __X__ Other (specify

Chief Executive Officer / Chairman of the

below)

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

obligations may continue. See Instruction

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STRANGFELD JOHN R JR		_	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL INC [PRU]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	_X_ Director	10% Owner	

(Month/Day/Year)

02/13/2018

751 BROAD STREET, 4TH FLOOR, ATTN. CORPORATE COMPLIANCE

(State)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Zin)

Board 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

below)

NEWARK, NJ 07102

(City)

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit order Dispos (Instr. 3,	ed of (` ′	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	02/13/2018		M	34,249 (1)	A	\$0	288,785	D	
Common Stock	02/13/2018		F	14,267 (2)	D	\$ 106.89	274,518	D	
Common Stock							1,821 (3)	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock							596 (4)	I	By Spouse

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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 (A) or Dis (D) (Instr. 3, 4	Acquired posed of	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Sec
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	A or N
2015 Performance Shares	\$ 0 (1)	02/13/2018		M		31,022	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	3
2018 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 106.89	02/13/2018		A	65,020		<u>(5)</u>	02/13/2028	Common Stock	ϵ
2018 Performance Shares	\$ 0 (6)	02/13/2018		A	24,611		<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock	2

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
reporting Owner Name / Marcis	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
STRANGFELD JOHN R JR 751 BROAD STREET, 4TH FLOOR ATTN. CORPORATE COMPLIANCE NEWARK, NJ 07102	X		Chief Executive Officer	Chairman of the Board	

Signatures

/s/Andrew Hughes,	
attorney-in-fact	02/15/2018
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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- * 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).
- The Compensation Committee awarded these shares, the grant of which was made on February 10, 2015, and originally reported on a Form 4 filed with the SEC on February 12, 2015, based upon performance relative to the average Return On Equity (ROE) goals
- (1) modified by ROE, EPS Growth and Book Value Per Share Growth relative to certain life insurance peers during the 2015 through 2017 performance period.
- (2) Represents shares withheld for the payment of taxes.
- Amount reported has been adjusted to include 24 shares of Issuer common stock acquired by the reporting person under The Prudential (3) Employee Savings Plan between June 30, 2017 and December 31, 2017 based on a plan statement dated December 31, 2017. The acquisition of such shares was exempt from Section 16 pursuant to Rules 16b-3(c) and 16a-3(f)(1)(i)(B).
- The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for the purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (5) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 13, 2019.
- **(6)** The performance shares convert to common stock on a 1 to 1 basis.
- Represents the target number of shares to be received relative to the Company's average ROE goals and relative to the ROE achievement of certain life insurance peer companies for the 2018 through 2020 performance period. The actual number of shares to be received will be determined by the Compensation Committee in February 2021.

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