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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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|---|--------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|------------------|--|------------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Ray Anne Marie | | | Symbol | er Name an Bradley, In | | Č | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date | of Earliest 7 | Γransaction | ı | (6.1.6 | on an approu | o.) | | |
| | A BRADLEY, IN LIDGE ROAD | C., 12420 | (Month) 06/19/ | /Day/Year) 2017 | | | Director Officer (give below) | e title C below) | 0% Owner Other (specify | | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If An | nendment, E | Date Origin | al | 6. Individual or J | Joint/Group Fi | iling(Check | | |
| ROANOK | E, IN 46783 | | Filed(M | onth/Day/Ye | ar) | | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by Form filed by Person | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Ta | ble I - Non- | Derivative | e Securities Acq | uired, Disposed o | of, or Benefic | ially Owned | | |
| 1.Title of Security | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | | | 3. Transactio | 4. Securiti | ies Acquired (A) | 5. Amount of Securities | 6. Ownership | 7. Nature of Indirect | | |

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| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transact Code (Instr. 8) | ionor Di (Instı | curities A sposed of r. 3, 4 and | of (D) | red (A) | Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | Code V | ⁷ Ar | nount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | (I) (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock | 06/19/2017 | | G <u>(1)</u> V | 7 2,00 | 00,000 | D | \$ 0 | 4,610,469 (<u>2)</u> | I | By Barbara B. Baekgaard 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust |
| Common Stock | 06/19/2017 | | G(1) V | <i>y</i> 500, | ,000 | A | \$0 | 500,000 | D | |
| Common Stock | 06/19/2017 | | G(3) V | <i>5</i> 00, | ,000 | D | \$0 | 0 | D | |

| Common Stock | 06/19/2017 | G(3) V 5 | 500,000 | A | \$ 0 | 500,000 | I | By Anne-Marie Ray 2017 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust #1 |
|---|------------|----------|---------|---|------|---------|---|--|
| Common Stock | | | | | | 200,000 | I | By Anne-Marie Ray 2016 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust #1 |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 173,519 | I | By Anne-Marie Ray 2015 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 698,286 | I | By Michael Ray 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust |
| Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially 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 | | | | | | | | SEC 1474 (9-02) |

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

number.

| 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | 5. orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | . | ate | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) |
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| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title Amount or | |

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Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Ray Anne Marie C/O VERA BRADLEY, INC. 12420 STONEBRIDGE ROAD ROANOKE, IN 46783



Signatures

/s/ Anne-Marie

Ray 06/26/2017

**Signature of Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- Represents a distribution by the Barbara B. Baekgaard 2009 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust (the "Baekgaard Trust") of 500,000 shares of
- (1) the Issuer's common stock to each of the four beneficiaries of the Baekgaard Trust, including the reporting person, in accordance with the terms of the documents governing the Baekgaard Trust.
- (2) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
- Following the reporting person's receipt of the 500,000 share distribution from the Baekgaard Trust, the reporting person immediately
- (3) transferred the shares to the Anne-Marie Ray 2017 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust #1, of which the reporting person is the sole trustee and annuitant.

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