NETSCOUT SYSTEMS INC

Form 4

November 17, 2014

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DOWNING JOHN

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

NETSCOUT SYSTEMS INC

(Check all applicable)

[NTCT]

(Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title

(Month/Day/Year) 11/13/2014

below) See Remarks

C/O NETSCOUT SYSTEMS. INC., 310 LITTLETON ROAD

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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

(Instr. 4)

WESTFORD, MA 01886

Security

(Instr. 3)

(State) (Zip) (City) 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 1. Title of

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 3. 4. Securities

(A)

Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership Securities Form: Direct Beneficially

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

(Instr. 4)

Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

Owned

or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

TransactionAcquired (A) or

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 Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

5. Number of TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of 8. 1 Underlying Securities

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	ce of (Month/Day/Year) rivative	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		/Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)	5	
				Code V	(A) (E	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(1)</u>	11/13/2014		A	25,000	(2)	(3)	Common	25,000	

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DOWNING JOHN

C/O NETSCOUT SYSTEMS, INC.

See Remarks

310 LITTLETON ROAD WESTFORD, MA 01886

Signatures

/s/ John Downing 11/14/2014

**Signature of Date
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).
- (1) Price is N/A.
- (2) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments with the first installment vesting on November 13, 2015.
- (3) Date is N/A.

Remarks:

SVP, Worldwide Sales Operations

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