

BLUE NILE INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BINDER DAVID BRADLEY

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BLUE NILE INC, 411 1ST AVE SOUTH SUITE 700

(Street)

SEATTLE, WA 98104

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
BLUE NILE INC [NILE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/15/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
EVP, CAO, & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common Stock | 02/15/2017 | | F | 2,217 (1) | \$ 40.72 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/17/2017 | | D | 78,326 | 0 (4) | D | |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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(1) The reported shares were withheld to cover the reporting person's tax liability in connection with the vesting of restricted stock units previously reported. These shares were not issued to or sold by the reporting person.

(2) Includes vested and unvested units of restricted stock.

Pursuant to the agreement and plan of merger dated as of November 6, 2016 ("Merger Agreement"), by and among the issuer, Blue Nile, Inc., a Delaware corporation, BC Cyan Parent Inc., a Delaware corporation, and BC Cyan Acquisition Inc., a Delaware corporation and a

(3) wholly-owned subsidiary of BC Cyan Parent Inc., at the Effective Time (as defined in the Merger Agreement), each outstanding share of common stock and restricted stock unit owned by the reporting person was cancelled and converted into the right to receive \$40.75 (the "Per Share Price") less any required withholding taxes.

(4) The reporting person will receive an additional amount in cash equivalent to 16.12 shares due to dividend equivalents.

Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, at the Effective Time, each outstanding stock option owned by the reporting person that has an

(5) exercise price per share of common stock underlying the stock option that is less than the Per Share Price will be cancelled and converted into the right to receive an amount in cash, less any required withholding taxes, determined by multiplying (a) the excess of the Per Share Price over the exercise price of such stock option by (b) the number of shares of common stock underlying the stock option.

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