

GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC
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FORM 4

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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 *
 BLANKFEIN LLOYD C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC [GS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO., 200 WEST STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/18-04:00/2015

____ Director
 ____ Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 Chairman of the Board and CEO

NEW YORK, NY 10282

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 05/18-04:00/2015 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | 8,625 A | \$ 131.64 | 1,901,979 | D |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 05/18-04:00/2015 | | S | 8,625 D | \$ 205.0538 ⁽²⁾ | 1,893,354 | D |
| | 05/19-04:00/2015 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | 100,811 A | \$ 131.64 | 1,994,165 | D |

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footnote
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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 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 Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date |
| Nonqualified Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 131.64 | 05/18-04:00/2015 | | M | 8,625 | 01/02-05:00/2009 11/27-05:00/2015 |
| Nonqualified Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 131.64 | 05/19-04:00/2015 | | M | 100,811 | 01/02-05:00/2009 11/27-05:00/2015 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BLANKFEIN LLOYD C C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. 200 WEST STREET NEW YORK, NY 10282 | | | Chairman of the Board and CEO | |

Signatures

/s/ Beverly L. O'Toole,
Attorney-in-fact

05/20-04:00/2015

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) Reflects the exercise by the Reporting Person of Stock Options granted in December 2005 and scheduled to expire in November 2015. This transaction was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan previously adopted by the Reporting Person.

- (2) Reflects a weighted average sale price of \$205.0538 per share, at prices ranging from \$205.00 to \$205.13 per share. The Reporting Person will provide, upon request by the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

- (3) Reflects a weighted average sale price of \$205.002 per share, at prices ranging from \$205.00 to \$205.02 per share. The Reporting Person will provide, upon request by the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

- (4) Held through trusts, the sole trustee of which is the Reporting Person's spouse and the sole beneficiaries of which are immediate family members of the Reporting Person. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.

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