Werner Karl William Form 4 December 18, 2017

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Werner Karl William

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

RITCHIE BROS AUCTIONEERS INC [RBA]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 12/14/2017

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

Ch. Op. & Supp. Dev. Officer

C/O RITCHIE BROS. **AUCTIONEERS INC., 9500 GLENLYON PARKWAY**

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

BURNABY, A1 V5J 0C6

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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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 proof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 1 5 (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Performance Share Units (2016 PSUs)	(1)	12/14/2017(2)		A	2,951	(3)	(3)	Common Shares	2,951	
Dividend Equivalent Rights (2016 PSUs)	<u>(4)</u>	12/14/2017 <u>(4)</u>		A	91	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Shares	91	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Werner Karl William C/O RITCHIE BROS. AUCTIONEERS INC. 9500 GLENLYON PARKWAY BURNABY, A1 V5J 0C6

Ch. Op. & Supp. Dev. Officer

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Signatures

Maria Teresa Punsalan as attorney-in-fact for Karl William Werner

12/18/2017
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).
- (1) Each PSU represents a contingent right to receive one RBA common share or the economic equivalent thereof.
- (2) The RBA Compensation Committee determined that the PSUs, previously granted to the reporting person, are eligible for vesting because certain performance criteria were satisfied.
- The PSUs vest on 3/01/2019. The common shares underlying vested PSUs or the cash value thereof (as determined by the Committee in accordance with the RBA Senior Executive Performance Share Unit Plan) will be paid to the reporting person, net of tax, as soon as practicable following the end of the month in which the PSUs vest.
- (4) Each dividend equivalent right represents a contingent right to receive one RBA common share or the economic equivalent thereof. DERs accrued in respect of the 2016 PSUs vest and become exercisable concurrently with the PSUs to which they relate.

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