#### **BHUTANI ASHISH**

Form 4

February 25, 2019

# FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>\*</u> BHUTANI ASHISH

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

Lazard Ltd [LAZ]
3. Date of Earliest Transaction

\_\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

C/O LAZARD LTD, 30

(Month/Day/Year)

\_\_X\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner \_\_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below) below)

02/21/2019

CEO of Lazard Asset Management

ROCKEFELLER PLAZA

4. If Amendment, Date Original

 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

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10112

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Perivative Se	ecuriti	ies Acquir	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie oner Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	d of (I and 5) (A) or	0)	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)
Restricted Class A Common Stock	02/21/2019		Code V  M	Amount 272,777	(D)	Price (1)	339,399	D	
Restricted Class A Common Stock	02/21/2019		F	145,174 (2)	D	\$ 36.85 (3)	194,225 (4)	D	

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. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Securities Code Acquired (A) or (Instr. 8) Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title a Underly (Instr. 3	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Performance-based Restricted Stock Units (5)	<u>(6)</u>	02/21/2019		A	272,777	(3 )	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Class Comn Stoc
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### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

X

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BHUTANI ASHISH C/O LAZARD LTD 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA NEW YORK, NY 10112

CEO of Lazard Asset Management

## **Signatures**

/s/ Ashish Bhutani by Scott D. Hoffman under a P 02/25/2019

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

### **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).

The reporting person is eligible for retirement under the Company's RSU Retirement Policy, which is described in the Company's 2018 Proxy Statement. The performance conditions for certain Performance-based Restricted Stock Units ("PRSUs") that were previously granted to the reporting person have been satisfied and, as a result of the reporting person's retirement eligibility, such PRSUs are being

- (1) treated as subject to taxation and have been settled in the form of Restricted Class A Common Stock. The Restricted Class A Common Stock, excluding the portion required to be withheld in order to pay the related taxes (in accordance with the applicable award agreements), will remain subject to all restrictive covenants and sales restrictions contained in the underlying award agreements until the original vesting dates set forth therein.
- (2) Represents shares of Class A Common Stock retained by the Company to cover taxes required to be withheld in connection with the settlement of PRSUs.

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- (3) Represents the New York Stock Exchange closing price of Class A Common Stock on the trading day immediately preceding the settlement date of the PRSUs referenced in Footnote (1).
- (4) Amount excludes 596,863 shares of Class A Common Stock directly or indirectly beneficially owned by the reporting person.
- (5) Represents prior grants of PRSUs awarded with respect to compensation for 2015, 2016 and 2017 for which performance conditions have been satisfied. The grants were previously reflected in the Company's proxy statements for the relevant years.
- (6) Each PRSU (the performance conditions of which have been satisfied) represents a contingent right to receive one share of Class A Common Stock.

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