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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 * Sample Neal J.

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Middle)

Express Scripts Holding Co. [ESRX]

(Check all applicable)

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

02/01/2018

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

C/O EXPRESS SCRIPTS HOLDING COMPANY, ONE **EXPRESS WAY**

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Executive VP & COO 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)

Person

ST. LOUIS, MO 63121

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

4. Securities 3. (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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

> Following Reported Transaction(s)

Beneficially

Owned

(A) or (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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Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 1. Title of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative

5. Number of

6. Date Exercisable and

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities**

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Unit (1)	\$ 0 (2)	02/01/2018		A	206.4957		(3)	<u>(3)</u>	Express Scripts Holding Company Common Stock	206.4957

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

rector 10% Owner Officer Other

Sample Neal J.

C/O EXPRESS SCRIPTS HOLDING COMPANY

Executive VP & COO

ONE EXPRESS WAY ST. LOUIS, MO 63121

Signatures

/s/ Nick H. Varsam, as Attorney-in-Fact for Neal J. Sample 02/05/2018

**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).
- (1) Phantom Stock Unit credited under the Company's Executive Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (2) Upon distribution each Phantom Stock Unit converts to one share of the Company's Common Stock.
- (3) Basic Company Credit by Express Scripts Holding Company to Participant's Account in the Executive Deferred Compensation Plan; shares vest 3 (three) years after the plan year to which such credit relates.

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