FORM 4

Instruction 1(b)

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Zia Raheel						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Benefitfocus, Inc. [BNFT]									Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner						
	-	ACHS & CO.	(Middl	e)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/17/2014						Offic belo			Other (specify below)						
(Street) NEW YO	ORK N	Y :	1028: (Zip)	2	4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transactio Date (Month/Day/\	Executi		emed tion Date, n/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)						Beneficially Owned Followin		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
								[Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)						
Common	Stock			07/17/20	14				P		200		A	\$40.1	11,380,8	301	I		See footnotes ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽²⁾		
Common	Stock			07/17/20	14				S		200		D	\$39.57	11,380,6),601 I			See footnotes ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾		
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Derivative Security (Instr. 3) Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security Date (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year)		4. Trans Code 8)	(Instr.	5. Nui of Deriving Securing Acquiring (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr. and 5	ative rities ired osed	Exp (Mo	oiration onth/Da	ay/Year) Expiration		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Number of Title Shares		Derivative Security (Instr. 5) Bene Own Follo Repc Trans (Instr		rities ficially ed wing rted saction(s)	Form Direct or Inc	t (D)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The Reporting Person is a managing director of Goldman, Sachs & Co. ("Goldman Sachs"). Goldman Sachs is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. ("GS Group"). The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported herein except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, if any, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of, or has any pecuniary interest in, such securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or for any other purpose.
- 2. The shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the "Common Stock"), of Benefitfocus, Inc. (the "Company"), reported herein as indirectly purchased and sold were beneficially owned directly by Goldman Sachs and indirectly by GS Group. Without admitting any legal obligation, Goldman Sachs or another wholly-owned subsidiary of GS Group will remit appropriate profits, if any, to the Company.
- 3. Goldman Sachs and GS Group may be deemed to beneficially own indirectly, in the aggregate, 11,380,601 shares of Common Stock by reason of the direct beneficial ownership of such shares by certain limited partnerships (the "Limited Partnerships") because affiliates of Goldman Sachs and GS Group are the general partner, managing limited partner, managing general partner, managing member or member of each of the Limited Partnerships. Goldman Sachs also had an open short position of 360 shares of Common Stock, reflecting a change due to an exempt transaction.

Remarks:

/s/ Kevin P. Treanor, Attorney-07/21/2014 in-fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * 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).

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