FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| STATEMENT | OF CHANGES | S IN BENEFICIAL | OWNERSHIP |
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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Taylor Donald R Jr</u> | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Benefitfocus, Inc. [BNFT] | | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify | | | | | |
|--|---|--|--|---------|--|---|--------------------------------------|--------------|---|--|----------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|--|--|---------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| (Last) 100 BEN | (Fi NEFITFOCU | • | (Middle) | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/20/2014 | | | | | | | | X | Chief Technology Officer Other (specific below) Chief Technology Officer | | | | specify |
| (Street) CHARLESTON SC 29492 | | | | 4. 1 | | | | | | | | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | | | | | |
| (City) | (S | tate) | (Zip) | | | | | | | | | Person | | | | | | | |
| | | Tab | le I - Nor | า-Deriv | ative | e Se | curit | ies A | cquired, | Dis | osed o | of, or B | enefic | cially | Owned | i | | | |
| | | Date | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5) | | rities Acquired (A) ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | 4 and Secur Benef | | es ally Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) (D) | or Pr | ice | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | . , |
| Common | Stock | | | 05/20 | 0/2014 | | | | M | | 6,30 | 0 A | : : | \$3.5 | 19,001 | | | D | |
| Common | Stock | | | 05/20 | 05/20/2014 | | | | S | | 6,30 | 00 D | | \$34 | 12,701 | | 01 D | | |
| | | ٦ | Γable II - | | | | | | quired, D s, option | | | | | | Owned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | ate Execution | | | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. | | 5. Number 6. | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4) | | S | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4) | e s ally g | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4 | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | , | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisabl | | xpiration ate | Title | Amo or Num of Shar | ber | | | | | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$3.5 | 05/20/2014 | | | M | | | 6,300 | (1) | 12 | 2/31/2016 | Common Stock | 6,3 | 00 | \$0.00 | 0 | | D | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$3.09 | | | | | | | | (1) | 03 | 3/31/2017 | Common Stock | 40,0 | 000 | | 40,000 | 0 | D | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$3.14 | | | | | | | | (1) | 02 | 2/01/2018 | Common Stock | 41,6 | 600 | | 41,600 | 0 | D | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$3.8 | | | | | | | | (1) | 06 | 5/30/2019 | Common Stock | 50,0 | 000 | | 50,000 | | D | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$5.38 | | | | | | | | (2) | 06 | 5/30/2020 | Common Stock | 35,0 | 000 | | 35,000 | 0 | D | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$10.3 | | | | | | | | (3) | 10 | 0/01/2022 | Common Stock | 7,0 | 00 | | 7,000 |) | D | |
| Stock Option (Right to | \$13.53 | | | | | | | | (4) | 05 | 5/07/2023 | Common Stock | 5,0 | 00 | | 5,000 |) | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 2. This option was granted on July 1, 2010 and vests over a four-year period with one-fourth (1/4) of the option granted vesting on July 1, 2011, the first anniversary of the vesting commencement date, and the balance of the option granted vesting ratably on a monthly basis over the following 36 months.
- 3. This option was granted on October 1, 2012 and vests over a four-year period with one-fourth (1/4) of the option granted vesting on October 1, 2013, the first anniversary of the vesting commencement date, and the balance of the option granted vesting ratably on a monthly basis over the following 36 months.
- 4. This option was granted on May 8, 2013 and vests over a four-year period with one-fourth (1/4) of the option granted vesting on May 8, 2014, the first anniversary of the vesting commencement date, and the balance of the option granted vesting ratably on a monthly basis over the following 36 months

Remarks:

/s/ Donald R. Reynolds,

Attorney-in-Fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

05/22/2014

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).
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