

INVESTAR HOLDING CORP Reported by SCHNEIDER CARL R JR

FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | | |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Schneider Carl R Jr | Investar Holding Corp [ISTR] | (Check all applicable) | | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) | X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) | | | | |
| C/O INVESTAR HOLDING | 1/1/2016 | | | | | |
| CORPORATION, 7244 PERKINS ROAD | | | | | | |
| (Street) | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | |
| BATON ROUGE, LA 70808 (City) (State) (Zip) | | X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |

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

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|------------------------------------|----------------|---|------------|---|---|---------------|--------|---|--|------------|
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Trans. Date | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | Beneficial |
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock | 1/1/2016 | | A (1) | | 401 | Α | \$0.00 | 8070 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 1807 | I | By spouse |
| | | | | | | | | | | |

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

| 1. Title of Derivate | 2. | 3. Trans. | 3A. Deemed | 4. Trans. C | Code | 5. Number | of | 6. Date Exer | cisable and | 7. Tit | le and Amount of | 8. Price of | 9. Number of | 10. | 11. Nature |
|----------------------|-------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|------|--------------|------------|--------------|-------------|--------|----------------------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|
| Security | Conversion | Date | Execution | (Instr. 8) | | Derivative | Securities | Expiration I | Date | Secur | ities Underlying | Derivative | derivative | Ownership | of Indirect |
| (Instr. 3) | or Exercise | | Date, if any | | | Acquired (A | A) or | - | | Deriv | ative Security | Security | Securities | Form of | Beneficial |
| | Price of | | | | | Disposed o | f (D) | | | (Instr | . 3 and 4) | (Instr. 5) | Beneficially | Derivative | Ownership |
| | Derivative | | | | | (Instr. 3, 4 | and 5) | | | | | | Owned | Security: | (Instr. 4) |
| | Security | | | | | | | | | | | | Following | Direct (D) | |
| | - | | | | | | | Date | Expiration | | Amount or Number of | | Reported | or Indirect | |
| | | | | | | | | Exercisable | Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | Transaction(s) | (I) (Instr. | |
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | | | | | | (Instr. 4) | 4) | |

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Compensatory restricted stock award; vests in 1/2 increments on 1/1/2017 and 1/1/2018.

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Wante / Address | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| Schneider Carl R Jr C/O INVESTAR HOLDING CORPORATION 7244 PERKINS ROAD BATON ROUGE, LA 70808 | X | | | | | | |

Signatures

| /s/Carl | R. Schneider, Jr. | 1/5/201 | 6 |
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**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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