

Von Thaer Lewis
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Von Thaer Lewis

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP
[GD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/06/2013

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
____ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)
Vice President

C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION, 2941 FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (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) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock, \$1.00 par value | 03/05/2013 | | D | V | 2,990.637 <u>(1)</u> | D | \$ 0 49,540 |
| Common Stock, \$1.00 par value | 03/06/2013 | | A | | 2,620 <u>(2)</u> | A | \$ 0 52,160 |
| Common Stock, | 03/06/2013 | | A | V | 2,620 <u>(3)</u> | A | \$ 0 54,780 |

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- (1) Represents restricted stock units ("RSUs") granted in 2012 and accrued dividend equivalents that were forfeited due to the performance metric not being met.
- (2) Represents shares of restricted stock subject to service-based vesting that will be released approximately four years after the grant date.
Represents a target number of RSUs each of which entitles the Reporting Person to receive one share of General Dynamics common stock. The number of RSUs ultimately earned by the Reporting Person will be determined based on a performance metric tied to return on invested capital during the year of grant, and may range from 0% to 200% of the target amount. Following the performance period, the earned RSUs are subject to an additional three year time-vesting period.
- (3) Includes share activity under General Dynamics 401(k) plan since date of reporting person's last ownership report.
- (5) Fifty percent become exercisable on 3/6/2014 and the remaining fifty percent become exercisable on 3/6/2015.

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