

Al Darmaki H.E. Ahmed Saif
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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 *
 Al Darmaki H.E. Ahmed Saif

(Last) (First) (Middle)

7TH FLR., ADWEA BUILDING,
 6TH STREET

(Street)

ABU DHABI, C0

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 TESLA MOTORS INC [TSLA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 07/02/2010

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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	07/02/2010	07/02/2010	C		7,297,139	A	<u>1</u>
					7,297,139	I	See Footnote <u>(2)</u>

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

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	Date Exercisable		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A)	(D)					
Series F Preferred Stock	(1)	07/02/2010	07/02/2010	C	21,891,419	(1)		(1)		Common Stock	7,297,1

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Al Darmaki H.E. Ahmed Saif 7TH FLR., ADWEA BUILDING, 6TH STREET ABU DHABI, C0	X			

Signatures

/s/ Ahmed Saif Al
Darmaki

07/02/2010

__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) Each share of the Issuer's Series F preferred stock automatically converted to .333333 of a share common stock upon the closing of the Issuer's initial public offering and has no expiration date.

These shares are owned directly by Al Wahada Capital Investment LLC, a wholly owned affiliate of Abu Dhabi Water and Electric Authority. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficiary owner of such securities for Section 16 or any other purpose.
- (2)

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