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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Martin Sean

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

BAXTER INTERNATIONAL INC [BAX]

(Check all applicable)

SVP and General Counsel

02/19/2018

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

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

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

ONE BAXTER PARKWAY

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Director

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

DEERFIELD, IL 60015

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

4. Securities

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D)

Price

(A)

Common Stock, \$1

par value

02/19/2018

 $A^{(1)}$ 4,007 Α \$0 24,209

D

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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	Amount Underly Securiti	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Martin Sean
ONE BAXTER PARKWAY

DEERFIELD, IL 60015

SVP and General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ Ellen K. McIntosh, as attorney in-fact for Sean Martin

02/21/2018

**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).

Represents shares earned from the performance share unit award granted on March 2, 2017 pursuant to the Equity Plan adopted by Baxter as of such date. The award provides that fifty percent of the performance share units are earned based on the Baxter's Adjusted Operating Margin (OM) performance, as assessed annually over a three-year period. One-third of the OM performance share units are allocated to each one-year period. The number of shares reported on this Form 4 represents the shares earned based on Baxter's OM, as assessed from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017. These shares are scheduled to vest after the end of the relevant three-year performance period (which runs from January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019).

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