Watt Darren Jeffrey Form 4 December 22, 2017

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Watt Darren Jeffrey

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

RITCHIE BROS AUCTIONEERS INC [RBA]

(Check all applicable)

Gen. Counsel & Corp. Secretary

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 12/20/2017

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

C/O RITCHIE BROS. **AUCTIONEERS INC., 9500**

GLENLYON PARKWAY

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

BURNABY, A1 V5J 0C6

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Following (Instr. 4) Reported

Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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. Transac Code (Instr. 8		5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year) vative vities uired or oosed O) r. 3,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price Derivati Security (Instr. 5
				Code	V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Dividend Equivalent Rights (2015 PSUs)	(1)	12/20/2017		A		16	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Shares	16	\$ 0
Dividend Equivalent Rights (2016 PSUs)	(2)	12/20/2017		A		4	(2)	(2)	Common Shares	4	\$ 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Watt Darren Jeffrey C/O RITCHIE BROS. AUCTIONEERS INC. 9500 GLENLYON PARKWAY BURNABY, A1 V5J 0C6

Gen. Counsel & Corp. Secretary

Relationships

Signatures

Maria Teresa Punsalan attorney-in-fact for Darren Jeffrey
Watt

12/22/2017

**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).
- Each dividend equivalent right represents a contingent right to receive one RBA common share or the economic equivalent thereof. The dividend equivalent rights accrued in respect of the 2015 grant of performance share units, and become exercisable proportionately with the performance share units to which they relate.
- (2) Each dividend equivalent right represents a contingent right to receive one RBA common shares or the economic equivalent thereof. DERs accrued in respect of the 2016 PSUs vest and become exercisable concurrently wit the PSUs to which they relate.

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