FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	OF CHANGES	S IN BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Ammerman Douglas K.						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol El Pollo Loco Holdings, Inc. [LOCO]										all app Direc	olicable) ctor	10%	Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O EL POLLO LOCO HOLDINGS, INC.						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/10/2016										Offic below	er (give title w)	Oth belo	er (specify w)	
3535 HARBOR BLVD., SUITE 100				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
(Street) COSTA MESA CA 92626														X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)		(Sta	te) (2	Zip)																
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						Execution Date		n Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)					(A) or 3, 4 aı	4 and Sea Be Ow		ount of ities icially d Following ted	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect	
										Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	•	Transa	action(s) 3 and 4)		(11311. 4)
Common Stock 08/10/2					/2016	2016 A 3,699 ⁽¹⁾ A S		\$13	.52	52 9,668		D								
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) 3. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Year)			Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Derive Security (A) or Disposof (D) (Instr	5. Number of Expiration (Month/Day Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			e	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		ıstr. 3			9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Co		Code			Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	of	Number										

Explanation of Responses:

1. Consists of Restricted Shares granted under the 2014 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan, vesting in three equal installments on each of the first three anniversaries of the date of grant.

Remarks:

/s/ Edith R. Austin, as attorney-08/11/2016 in-fact

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- * 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).

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