# FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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.,			or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940			
1. Name and Addres <u>Munoz Hecto</u>	1 0	Person*	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>El Pollo Loco Holdings, Inc.</u> [ LOCO ]		ationship of Reporting Po k all applicable) Director Officer (give title	erson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify
(Last) C/O EL POLLO 3535 HARBOR		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/04/2018		below) Chief Marketin	below) ng Officer
(Street) COSTA MESA (City)	CA (State)	92626 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indir Line) X	vidual or Joint/Group Fili Form filed by One Re Form filed by More th Person	porting Person

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date,		ction Instr.	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)
Common Stock	12/04/2018		A		16,548(1)	Α	\$ <u>0</u>	16,548	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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code ( 8)		5. Number of Expiration Date Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		ate	7. Title Amoun Securi Underl Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ties lying tive ty (Instr. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

**Explanation of Responses:** 

1. Consists of Restricted Stock Units, each representing a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock, granted under the 2018 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan and vesting in four equal installments on each of the four anniversaries of the date of grant.

## Remarks:

/s/ Edith R. Austin, as attorney

<u>in fact</u>

12/06/2018

\*\* 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).

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