FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol El Pollo Loco Holdings, Inc. [LOCO]											olicable)		Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O EL POLLO LOCO HOLDINGS, INC.							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/10/2017										Office	er (give title w)		Other (specify below)		
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)		(State	e) (Z	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		Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)					(A) or 3, 4 aı	4 and Sec Ben Owi		cially d Following	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		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(111501. 4)									
Common Stock 05/10/2							/2017			A		3,585(1	1)	A \$13		3.95 7,		7,488	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	on Da	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date E Expiratio (Month/I	on Dat		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr and 4)		str. 3			9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Owners Form: Direct (I or Indire (I) (Instr	rship (D) irect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
						Code	v	(A) (D)		Date Exercisable		Expiration Date	Title	or Nur of	ount nber ires	er						

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-05/12/2017 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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