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* Shafer Matthew T | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Ocean Power Technologies, Inc. [OPTT] | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Persor (Check all applicable) Director Officer (give title | | | | ner pecify | |
|--|---|--|---|--------------|--|--|-------|--|----|--|--|----------------------------------|---|--|--|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O OCEAN POWER TECHNOLOGIES, INC. 28 ENGELHARD DRIVE, SUITE B | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/07/2018 | | | | | | | | X Officer (give title Officer (specify below) CFO and Treasurer | | | | | |
| (Street) MONROE NJ 08831 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transc Date (Month/L | | | | | action 2A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Yea | | Date, | Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. | | ities Acquired (A) or d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5 | | 5) S | Beneficially Owned Followin | | 6. Own Form: (D) or I (I) (Inst | Direct II Indirect E tr. 4) C | 7. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Ownership | | |
| | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount (A) or (D) | | Price | 1 | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | nstr. 4) | |
| 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) | Code (Instr. | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | g D S | s. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | | cpiration ate | Title | Amount of Number of Shares | | | (Instr. 4) | | | | |
| Stock Option (right to | \$0.41 | 12/07/2018 | | A | | 115,000 ⁽¹⁾ | | 12/07/2019 | 12 | 2/07/2028 | Common Stock | 115,000 | (1) | \$0 | 115,00 | 00 | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

 $1. \ Represents \ stock \ option \ granted \ under the \ Company's \ 2015 \ Omnibus \ Incentive \ Plan, \ as \ amended, \ which \ vest \ in \ full \ one \ year \ from \ award \ date.$

/s/ Matthew T. Shafer

12/11/2018

** 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).
- ** 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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