#### American Homes 4 Rent Form 3 July 31, 2013 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB APPROVAL FORM 3 Washington, D.C. 20549 OMB

## **INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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1. Name and A Person <u>*</u> NELSON		porting	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 07/31/2013		3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol American Homes 4 Rent [AMH]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
C/O AMERICAN HOMES 4 RENT, 30601 WEST AGOURA ROAD, SUITE 200 (Street) AGOURA HILLS, CA 91301					(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) Chief Financial Officer		Owner r ow)	<ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group</li> <li>Filing(Check Applicable Line)</li> <li>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting</li> <li>Person</li> <li> Form filed by More than One</li> <li>Reporting Person</li> </ul>	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Ta	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned					
1.Title of Secu (Instr. 4)	rity		Ber	Amount of eneficially ( nstr. 4)	f Securities Owned	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Na Owne (Instr	*	
Class A Cor	nmon Shar	res	13	3,333		D	Â		
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities benefic owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displ currently valid OMB control number.				- 2	SEC 1473 (7-02	2)			

#### Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
Security	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial
(Instr. 4)	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	Ownership
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)
			Derivative	Security:	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	11/20/2013 <u>(1)</u>	11/20/2022	Class A Common Shares	100,000	\$ 15	D	Â

# **Reporting Owners**

<b>Reporting Owner Name / Address</b>		Relationships						
		irector	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
NELSON PETER C/O AMERICAN HOMES 4 RENT 30601 WEST AGOURA ROAD, SUITE AGOURA HILLS, CA 91301	200	Â	Â	Chief Financial Officer	Â			
Signatures								
/s/ Sara Vogt-Lowell, attorney-in-fact	07/31/2	013						
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date							

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- (1) Options become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on the "Date Exercisable" indicated.
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#### **Remarks:**

#### Exhibit 24: Power of Attorney

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