Ehrenpreis Ira Matthew Form 4 June 12, 2012

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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subject to Section 16. Form 4 or

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See Instruction

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Ehrenpreis Ira Matthew

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

TESLA MOTORS INC [TSLA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(First) (Middle) (Last)

> (Month/Day/Year) 06/08/2012

TECHNOLOGY PARTNERS, 550 UNIVERSITY AVE.

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

PALO ALTO, CA 94301

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

(A)

or

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security

2. Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amour **Underlying Securit** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	f			
				Code V	(A) (D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.66	06/12/2012		A	33,334	<u>(1)</u>	06/12/2019	Common Stock	33,3
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.66	06/12/2012		A	6,000	(2)	06/12/2019	Common Stock	6,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.66	06/12/2012		A	3,000	(2)	06/12/2019	Common Stock	3,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.66	06/12/2012		A	9,000	(2)	06/12/2019	Common Stock	9,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.66	06/12/2012		A	6,000	(2)	06/12/2019	Common Stock	6,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 30.08	06/08/2012		A	16,666	(3)	06/08/2019	Common Stock	16,6

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Ehrenpreis Ira Matthew TECHNOLOGY PARTNERS 550 UNIVERSITY AVE. PALO ALTO, CA 94301	X					

Signatures

(right to buy)

By: Eric Whitaker as Power of Attorney For: Ira
Ehrenpreis 06/12/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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1/24th of the shares granted shall become vested and exercisable as of each monthly anniversary beginning on June 8, 2013, such that all shares subject to the Option shall be fully vested and exercisable by June 8, 2015.

- 1/36th of the shares granted shall become vested and exercisable as of each monthly anniversary of the date of grant, such that all shares(2) subject to the option shall be fully vested and exercisable by the third anniversary of the grant date. This option was automatically granted pursuant to the Company's Outside Director Compensation Policy.
- (3) 100% of the shares subject to the option shall vest and become exercisable on the earlier of the first anniversary date of the grant or the day prior to the date of the next annual meeting of the stockholders of the Company following date of grant.

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