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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading LUTNICK HOWARD W Issuer Symbol BGC Partners, Inc. [BGCP] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director _X__ 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title __ Other (specify C/O BGC PARTNERS, INC., 499 08/16/2016 below) PARK AVENUE Chief Executive Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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NEW YORK, NY 10022

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| (City) | (State) (| Zip) Table | e I - Non-D | erivative S | ecurit | ies Acq | uired, Disposed o | f, or Beneficial | ly Owned |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securiti n(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4 | posed | of (D) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 08/16/2016 | | A | 36,405 (1) | A | \$ 8.77 | 29,371,402 (1) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) | I | See footnote (1) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) |
| Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | | | | | | | 10,159,256 | D | |

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)

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| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address | |

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LUTNICK HOWARD W C/O BGC PARTNERS, INC. 499 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022

X X Chief Executive Officer

Signatures

/s/ Howard W. 08/18/2016 Lutnick

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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Represents the acquisition of 36,405 shares of Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Class A Common Stock"), by a Keogh retirement account for the benefit of the reporting person in a transaction exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, at a price equal to the closing price of the Class A Common Stock on the date of such acquisition. This transaction was approved by the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors.

The 10,159,256 shares of Class A Common Stock consist of (i) 1,185,535 shares held by the reporting person, and (ii) 8,973,721 shares represented by deferred stock receivable by the reporting person (consisting of 7,742,325 shares receivable pursuant to deferred stock

(2) distribution rights provided to certain current and former partners of Cantor Fitzgerald, L.P. ("CFLP") on April 1, 2008 ("April 2008 distribution rights shares") and 1,231,396 shares receivable pursuant to deferred stock distribution rights provided to partners of CFLP on February 14, 2012 ("February 2012 distribution rights shares")).

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- The reporting person's indirect pecuniary interest in 29,371,402 shares of Class A Common Stock consists of (i) 16,505,238 shares held (3) by CFLP, (ii) 504,255 shares held by Cantor Fitzgerald Group Management, Inc., (iii) 2,050,197 April 2008 distribution rights shares and 160,675 February 2012 distribution rights shares receivable by CFGM (continued in footnote 4);
 - (iv) 5,553,453 shares held in various trust, retirement and custodial accounts of the reporting person (consisting of (A) 4,468,056 shares held in a personal asset trust, of which the reporting person is the sole trustee, (B) 266,855 shares held by a trust (the "Trust") for the benefit of the descendants of the reporting person and his immediate family, of which the reporting person's spouse is one of two trustees
- (4) and the reporting person has limited powers to remove and replace such trustees, (C) 195,654 shares held in a Keogh retirement account for the reporting person, (D) 576,048 shares held by trust accounts for the benefit of the reporting person and members of the his immediate family, (E) 32,034 shares held in other retirement accounts, and (F) 14,806 shares held in custodial accounts for the benefit of certain members of the reporting person's family under the Uniform Gifts to Minors Act) (continued in footnote 5);
- (v) 1,610,182 shares represented by April 2008 distribution rights shares receivable by the Trust, (vi) 1,949 shares (representing the proportional interest of the spouse of the reporting person in the shares owned by LFA LLC ("LFA")), (vii) 26,052 shares representing such spouse's proportional interest in the distribution rights shares receivable by LFA (consisting of 23,780 April 2008 distribution rights shares and 2,272 February 2012 distribution rights shares) (continued in footnote 6);
- (6) (viii) 206,902 shares held by KBCR (continued in footnote 7);
- (ix) 2,335,967 shares represented by distribution rights shares receivable by KBCR (consisting of 2,048,000 April 2008 distribution rights shares and 287,967 February 2012 distribution rights shares; and (x) 416,532 shares held in the reporting person's 401(k) account as of July 31, 2016.
 - CFGM is the Managing General Partner of CFLP, and the reporting person is the President and Chief Executive Officer and sole stockholder of CFGM. KBCR is a non-managing General Partner of CFLP, and the reporting person is the managing member of KBCR.
- (8) The reporting person is the managing member of LFA. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares held by CFLP, CFGM, KBCR and LFA in excess of his pecuniary interest, if any, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that he is he beneficial owner of, or has pecuniary interest in, any such excess shares for the purposes of Section 16 of the Exchange Act or for any other purpose.

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