LendingTree, Inc. Form 4 February 26, 2016

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LEBDA DOUGLAS R

(First) (Middle)

11115 RUSHMORE DR.

(Street)

CHARLOTTE, NC 28277

(State)

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

LendingTree, Inc. [TREE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

02/26/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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_X__ Director X 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Chairman & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

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

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

> Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Derivative **Expiration Date** Security or Exercise any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year)

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7. Title and Amount of 8.

Underlying Securities

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Acquire (A) or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)	ed of				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Options to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 69.94	02/24/2026		A		5,973		<u>(1)</u>	02/24/2026	Common Stock	5,973

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
.r. g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
LEBDA DOUGLAS R 11115 RUSHMORE DR. CHARLOTTE, NC 28277	X	X	Chairman & CEO					

Signatures

/s/ Katharine F. Pierce as Attorney-in-Fact for Douglas R. Lebda 02/26/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) These options to purchase common stock vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 24, 2017, in accordance with the terms of the award agreement.

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