

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FREELAND JAY (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O FARO TECHNOLOGIES INC. 250 TECHNOLOGY PARK (Street) LAKE MARY FL 32746 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FARO TECHNOLOGIES INC [FARO]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) President & CEO
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/11/2012	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	01/11/2012		M ⁽¹⁾		40,000	A	\$24.36	45,040	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2012		S ⁽¹⁾		22,962	D	\$50.7 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	22,078	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2012		S ⁽¹⁾		15,092	D	\$51.35 ⁽²⁾⁽⁴⁾	6,986	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2012		S ⁽¹⁾		1,946	D	\$52.04 ⁽²⁾⁽⁵⁾	5,040	D	

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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$24.36	01/11/2012		M			40,000	(6)	03/05/2017	Common Stock	40,000	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- The stock option exercise and sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to the reporting person's stock trading plan (the "Trading Plan"), in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The issuer disclosed the reporting person's adoption of the Trading Plan on a Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on June 17, 2011. The Trading Plan became effective on July 15, 2011 and will terminate on July 14, 2012, unless earlier terminated in accordance with the terms of the Trading Plan. Pursuant to the terms of the Trading Plan, the reporting person does not have any discretion or control over the timing or effectuation of sales.
- The reporting person effected multiple same-way open market sale transactions on the same day at different prices through a trade order executed by a broker-dealer. The reporting person reported on a single line all such transactions that occurred within a one dollar price range. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request by the Securities Exchange Commission staff, the issuer, or a shareholder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- Reflects the weighted average sale price. The range of prices for such transaction is \$50.00 to \$50.99.
- Reflects the weighted average sale price. The range of prices for such transaction is \$51.00 to \$51.96.
- Reflects the weighted average sale price. The range of prices for such transaction is \$52.01 to \$52.06.
- The option vested in three equal annual installments on each of March 5, 2008, March 5, 2009, and March 5, 2010.

/s/ Keith S. Bair, as Attorney-in-Fact 01/12/2012

** 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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