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### FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*           Narayan Ramani           (Last)         (First) |               |                | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>NORTHERN TECHNOLOGIES</u><br><u>INTERNATIONAL CORP</u> [ NTIC ] |                        | tionship of Reporting Persor<br>all applicable)<br>Director<br>Officer (give title<br>below)       | n(s) to Issuer<br>10% Owner<br>Other (specify<br>below) |  |
|--|---------------|----------------|---|------------------------|--|---|--|
| 4201 WOODLAI   | ND ROAD       | (Midule)       | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>08/31/2017  |                        | 20.011)  | 5561)   |  |
| (Street)<br>CIRCLE PINES<br>(City)   | MN<br>(State) | 55014<br>(Zip) | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  | 6. Indiv<br>Line)<br>X | idual or Joint/Group Filing (C<br>Form filed by One Reporti<br>Form filed by More than C<br>Person | ing Person  |  |

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) | ction | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |                     |         |                                    | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------|-------|--|---------------------|---------|------------------------------------|---|---|
|                                 |  |   | Code                         | v     | Amount   | Amount (A) or Price |         | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |   | (11311.4)   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/31/2017                                 |   | М                            |       | 4,000  | Α                   | \$10.25 | 19,500                             | D   |   |

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

|   |   |  |   |                              | · | -  |       | •   |                    |   |  |  |                              |                                     |  |                 |  |                 |  |  |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
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| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed<br>of (D) (Instr.<br>3, 4 and 5) |       | n Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed<br>of (D) (Instr. |                    | n Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed<br>of (D) (Instr. |  | Derivative Expiration Date<br>Securities (Month/Day/Year)<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed<br>of (D) (Instr. |                              | Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |  | Expiration Date |  | Expiration Date |  | Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)<br>A)<br>d |  | nd 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |  | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | e derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|   |   |  |   | Code                         | v | (A)  | (D)   | Date<br>Exercisable   | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |  | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) |                                     |  |                 |  |                 |  |  |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(right to<br>buy)                | \$10.25   | 08/31/2017                                 |   | М                            |   |  | 4,000 | (1)   | 08/31/2017         | Common<br>Stock   | 4,000                                  | \$10.25  | 0                            | D                                   |  |                 |  |                 |  |  |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(right to<br>buy)                | \$18.35   | 09/01/2017                                 |   | A                            |   | 4,000  |       | (2)   | 08/31/2027         | Common<br>Stock   | 4,000                                  | \$0  | 4,000                        | D                                   |  |                 |  |                 |  |  |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |

Explanation of Responses:

1. This option fully vested on September 1, 2013.

2. This option will be fully vested on September 1, 2018.

#### /s/ Matthew C. Wolsfeld -

Attorney-in-fact

09/05/2017

\*\* 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).

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