

HENNESSY ADVISORS INC  
 Form 4  
 September 27, 2016

**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 NILSEN TERESA M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 HENNESSY ADVISORS INC  
 [HNNA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 7250 REDWOOD BLVD., SUITE 200  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 09/23/2016

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 EVP, CFO and Secretary

NOVATO, CA 94945

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 or Price   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 09/23/2016                           |  | F <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 1,409   | D  | \$ 34.94 98,659                                       |
| Common Stock                    | 09/27/2016                           |  | S                              |   | 2,000   | D  | \$ 35.2053 96,659                                     |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   | I  | 2,024 FBO Children                                    |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   | I  | 1,012 By Spouse's IRA                                 |

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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 (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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 3 and 4) |
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                       | Relationships |           |                        |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                | Other |
| NILSEN TERESA M<br>7250 REDWOOD BLVD., SUITE 200<br>NOVATO, CA 94945 | X             |           | EVP, CFO and Secretary |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Peter D. Fetzer, Attorney-in-Fact for Teresa M. Nilsen  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person  
 Date: 09/27/2016

## 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) Represents shares withheld for payment of taxes incident to the vesting of restricted shares.  
 The price in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The prices actually received ranged from \$35.16 to \$35.26. The reporting person has provided to the issuer, and will provide to any security holder of the issuer, or the SEC staff, upon request, information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range for all transactions reported in this Form 4 utilizing an average weighted price.
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