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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **GUTHRIE ROY A** Issuer Symbol Synchrony Financial [SYF] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify C/O SYNCHRONY 12/31/2015 FINANCIAL, 777 LONG RIDGE **ROAD** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting STAMFORD, CT 06902 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Reneficially Owned

| | | Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficiary Owned | | | | | | |
|------------|---------------------|---|------------|--------------------------|------------------|--------------|--------------|--|
| 1.Title of | 2. Transaction Date | 2A. Deemed | 3. | 4. Securities Acquired | 5. Amount of | 6. Ownership | 7. Nature of | |
| Security | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transactio | on(A) or Disposed of (D) | Securities | Form: Direct | Indirect | |
| (Instr. 3) | | any | Code | (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | Beneficially | (D) or | Beneficial | |
| | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | | Owned | Indirect (I) | Ownership | |
| | | | | | Following | (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | () > | Reported | | | |
| | | | | (A) | Transaction(s) | | | |
| | | | C 1 W | or | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | |
| | | | Code V | Amount (D) Price | | | | |
| Commo | n 12/31/2015 | | Α | 905 ⁽¹⁾ A \$ | 5.573 (1) | D | | |

| Common Stock | 12/31/2015 | A | 905 (1) A | \$ 5,573 <u>(</u> | <u>1)</u> D |
|-----------------|------------|---|-----------|-------------------|-------------|
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See Common 10,000 Ι footnote Stock (2)

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 | f 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exer | cisable and | 7. Titl | le and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|-------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|--------------|-------------|---------|-------------|-------------|--------|
| Derivativ | e Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transacti | orNumber | Expiration D | ate | Amou | ınt of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | /Year) | Under | rlying | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivativ | e | | Secur | ities | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | S | | (Instr. | . 3 and 4) | | Own |
| | Security | | | | Acquired | | | | | | Follo |
| | | | | | (A) or | | | | | | Repo |
| | | | | | Disposed | | | | | | Trans |
| | | | | | of (D) | | | | | | (Instr |
| | | | | | (Instr. 3, | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | A | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Amount | | |
| | | | | | | Date | Expiration | T:41- | or Namel | | |
| | | | | | | Exercisable | Date | Title | Number | | |
| | | | | C-1- V | (A) (D) | | | | of | | |
| | | | | Code v | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address 10% Owner Officer Other Director

GUTHRIE ROY A C/O SYNCHRONY FINANCIAL 777 LONG RIDGE ROAD STAMFORD, CT 06902

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Signatures

/s/ Danielle Do, as attorney in fact

01/05/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- Represents restricted stock units that will vest in full on December 31, 2018. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to **(1)** receive one share of Synchrony Financial common stock.
- Mr. Guthrie is the Investment Manager of Guthrie 2012 Investments LP, which owns 10,000 shares of common stock. Mr. Guthrie disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares of common stock held by Guthrie 2012 Investments LP, except to the extent of his direct pecuniary interest therein.

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