

BLACKHAWK NETWORK HOLDINGS, INC
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FORM 4

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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 *
TAUSCHER WILLIAM Y

 (Last) (First) (Middle)

6220 STONERIDGE MALL ROAD

 (Street)

PLEASANTON, CA 94588

 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
BLACKHAWK NETWORK HOLDINGS, INC [HAWK]

 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/08/2014

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

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

 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chief Executive Officer

 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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	(D)	Price
Class B Common Stock	08/08/2014		M		50,000	A	\$ 6.631
					50,733	(1)	
Class B Common Stock	08/08/2014		S		50,000	D	\$ 27.6002
					733	(2)	
Class A Common Stock							937
						(3)	

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.631	08/08/2014		M	50,000	⁽⁴⁾ 07/03/2015	Class B Common Stock	50,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TAUSCHER WILLIAM Y 6220 STONERIDGE MALL ROAD PLEASANTON, CA 94588	X		Chief Executive Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Suzan S. Rowland, Attorney-in-Fact for William Y. Tauscher

08/12/2014

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Includes 733 shares acquired pursuant to the special common stock dividend distribution by Safeway Inc. on April 14, 2014. The distribution ratio for the special stock dividend was 0.164291 of a share of Class B Stock for every share of Safeway common stock held as of the close of business on April 3, 2014.

(2) Transaction executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$27.50 to \$27.81 per share, inclusive. The price reported in column 4 of Table I above reflects the weighted average sale price per share. The Reporting Person hereby undertakes to provide the SEC staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each respective price within the range set forth in this footnote.

(3) Includes 937 shares acquired under the Blackhawk Network Holdings, Inc. 2013 Employee Stock Purchase Plan on April 30, 2014.

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(4) The shares subject to this option are fully vested and exercisable.

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