#### **NEWLINK GENETICS CORP**

Form 4

August 07, 2015

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Link Charles J. Jr.		2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol NEWLINK GENETICS CORP [(NLNK)]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O NEWLINK GENETICS  CORP., 2503 SOUTH LOOP DR.,  SUITE 5100		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/05/2015	X Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman of the Board and CEO			
(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)			
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#### AMES, IA 50010

(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. Securit or(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed 4 and 3 (A) or	of (D)	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)	
Common Stock	08/05/2015		S(1)	15,010	D	\$ 51.92 (2)	436,108 (3) (4)	D		
Common Stock	08/05/2015		S <u>(1)</u>	4,990	D	\$ 52.68 (5)	431,118 <u>(3)</u> <u>(4)</u>	D		
Common Stock							10,000	I	By Spouse	
Common							139	I	Ву	

Person

Stock Spouse's IRA

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title Amour		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underl	ying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securit	ties	(Instr. 5)	Bene
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	Security				Acquired						Follo
					(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
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					Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Number			
								of			
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Link Charles J. Jr. C/O NEWLINK GENETICS CORP. 2503 SOUTH LOOP DR., SUITE 5100 AMES, IA 50010

X

Chairman of the Board and CEO

## **Signatures**

/s/ Ryan Trytten, attorney-in-fact

08/07/2015

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

### **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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on 5/26/2015.
- (2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$51.50 to \$52.17, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the issuer, any security holder of issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the ranges set forth in

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- Includes 17,250 restricted stock units ("RSUs") previously reported as holdings of the Reporting Person granted under the Issuer's 2009

  Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). The RSUs will vest, and shares will be delivered to the Reporting Person in a series of three successive annual installments with the next installment occurring on January 2, 2016, provided in each case that the Reporting Person's continuous service to the Issuer has not been terminated as defined in or as determined under the Plan.
- Includes 45,000 RSUs previously reported as holdings of the Reporting Person granted under the Plan. The RSUs will vest, and shares will be delivered to the Reporting Person in a series of four successive annual installments beginning on January 2, 2016, provided in each case that the Reporting Person's continuous service to the Issuer has not been terminated as defined in or as determined under the Plan
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$52.24 to \$53.10, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the issuer, any security holder of issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the ranges set forth in this footnote to this Form 4.

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