

AEROFLEX HOLDING CORP.  
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 \*  
GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AEROFLEX HOLDING CORP.  
[ARX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
200 WEST STREET  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
09/12-04:00/2014

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

NEW YORK, NY 10282

(City) (State) (Zip)

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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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code V Amount (A) or (D) Price                                    |   |  |  |
| Common Stock                    | 09/12-04:00/2014                     |  | U(2)                           | 13,024,025 D (3) 0  |   | I  | See footnotes (1) (2) (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)**

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| 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 Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC<br>200 WEST STREET<br>NEW YORK, NY 10282 |               |           |         |       |
| GOLDMAN SACHS & CO<br>200 WEST STREET<br>NEW YORK, NY 10282      |               |           |         |       |
| GS Direct, L.L.C.<br>200 WEST STREET<br>NEW YORK, NY 10282       |               |           |         |       |

## Signatures

|   |                  |
|---|------------------|
| /s/ Kevin P. Treanor,<br>Attorney-in-fact | 09/16-04:00/2014 |
| **Signature of Reporting Person           | Date             |
| /s/ Kevin P. Treanor,<br>Attorney-in-fact | 09/16-04:00/2014 |
| **Signature of Reporting Person           | Date             |
| /s/ Kevin P. Treanor,<br>Attorney-in-fact | 09/16-04:00/2014 |
| **Signature of Reporting Person           | Date             |

## Explanation of Responses:

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

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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Pursuant to an agreement and plan of merger, dated as of May 19, 2014 by and among Aeroflex Holding Corp. (the "Company"), Cobham plc ("Cobham") and Army Acquisition Corp. ("Merger Sub"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Cobham, as amended by

- (2) Amendment No. 1 to the Merger Agreement, dated as of August 15, 2014, Merger Sub merged with and into the Company. The merger was consummated on September 12, 2014. The Company was the surviving corporation and, as a result of the merger, became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Cobham.

Each share of the common stock, par value \$0.01 per share of the Company issued and outstanding immediately prior to the effective

- (3) time of the merger was cancelled and automatically converted into the right to receive \$10.50 in cash, without interest, and less any applicable withholding taxes.

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