FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  McCready John R				2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Ribbon Communications Inc. [ RBBN ]								(Che	elationship o ck all applica Director	able)	Perso	on(s) to Issu 10% Ow Other (s	ner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) RIBBON COMMUNICATIONS INC. 4 TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/15/2018								_	below)						
(Street) WESTFO		(A tate)	01886 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line)	ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transal Date (Month/Date)			Execution D		n Date,		Transaction Dispo		Dispose	rities Acquired (A) ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			5. Amoun Securities Beneficia Owned Fo	lly ollowing	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
							Code	<u>,  </u>	Amount	(A	) or )	Price	Transacti (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			msu. 4)		
	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	Cod	saction e (Instr.	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Ex	6. Date Exercisable an Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title a of Secu Underly Security 4)	rities ing De	erivative	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Cod	e V	(A)	(D)	Dat	te ercisable	Exp Dat	oiration e	Title	Nu	nount or mber of ares					
Restricted Stock Units (RSUs)	(1)	06/15/2018		A		25,000			(2)		(2)	Commo Stock	25	5,000(1)	\$0	25,000	)	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Ribbon Communications Inc. common stock.
- 2. The restricted stock units vest over a three-year period as follows: one-third of the restricted stock units shall vest on June 15, 2019, and the remaining two-thirds of the restricted stock units shall vest in four equal, semi-annual installments thereafter through June 15, 2021.

## Remarks:

John R. McCready

06/19/2018

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

 $Reminder: Report \ on \ a \ separate \ line \ for \ each \ class \ of \ securities \ beneficially \ owned \ directly \ or \ indirectly.$ 

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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