Rocket Fuel Inc. Form 4 February 08, 2017

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Washington, D.C. 20549

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SECURITIES Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Covington JoAnn

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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Rocket Fuel Inc. [FUEL]

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner

2000 SEAPORT BLVD, 4TH

(Street)

(State)

02/06/2017

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

(Check all applicable)

FLOOR

SVP, General Counsel, CPO

Indirect

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(9-02)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

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1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Indirect (I) Owned Following (Instr. 4) Reported

D

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common 02/06/2017 Stock

 $F^{(1)}$ 192 D \$0 15,974

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.31	02/07/2017		A	60,000	(2)	02/07/2027	Common Stock	60,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Covington JoAnn 2000 SEAPORT BLVD, 4TH FLOOR REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063

SVP, General Counsel, CPO

Signatures

/s/ Jeannette Bjoernsen, as attorney-in-fact for JoAnn Covington

02/08/2017

**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) Shares withheld by the Issuer to satisfy withholding taxes in connection with the vesting of previously awarded restricted stock units. No shares were sold.
- One-half of the shares subject to the option vest and become exercisable on February 1, 2018 and one-half of the shares vest and become exercisable on February 1, 2019, subject to Reporting Person's continued service to Issuer as of each such date.

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