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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SCHALL MICHAEL J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST INC

03/13/2018

(Check all applicable)

President and CEO

[ESS]

(First) (Last) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

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

C/O ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST, 1100 PARK PLACE,

SUITE 200

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

SAN MATEO, CA 94403

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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. 5. Number of TransactiorDerivative Code Securities Acquired (Instr. 8) (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Nun of Sl
Series Z-1 Incentive Units	(1)	03/13/2018		C(1)			12,500	<u>(1)</u>	(2)	Operating Partnership Units	12,
Operating Partnership Units	(1)	03/13/2018		C(1)		12,500		<u>(1)</u>	(1)	Common Stock	12,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SCHALL MICHAEL J C/O ESSEX PROPERTY TRUST 1100 PARK PLACE, SUITE 200 SAN MATEO, CA 94403

President and CEO

Signatures

/s/ John Farias, Attorney in Fact 03/14/2018

**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).
- These Series Z-1 incentive units converted into Essex Portfolio, L.P. ("EPLP") operating partnership units upon the Series Z-1 units, which were granted in May 2010, reaching a 100% conversion ratchet percentage. EPLP operating partnership units are exchangeable by the reporting person at any time following the conversion for an equal number of shares of the issuer's common stock. EPLP operating partnership units have no expiration date.
- (2) The Series Z-1 incentive units were purchased by the reporting person for \$1 per each such incentive unit and had no expiration date. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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