FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * YANG GEOFFREY Y

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC

(Check all applicable)

[BEN]

(Middle)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

12/12/2016

X_ Director Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O FRANKLIN RESOURCES. INC., ONE FRANKLIN

(Street)

PARKWAY

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

SAN MATEO, CA 94403-1906

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Code

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	er of 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration		7. Title and A	Am
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactiorDerivative		Date		Underlying Secu	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code Securities		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4	4)
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or					
	Derivative				Disposed of (D)				
	Security				(Instr. 3, 4, and				
	J			5)					
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	A: N: Sl:
Deferred Director's Fees (FRI)	(1)	12/12/2016		A	37.5094	04/20/2035(2)	04/20/2035(2)	Common Stock, par value \$.10	3

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

YANG GEOFFREY Y C/O FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC. ONE FRANKLIN PARKWAY SAN MATEO, CA 94403-1906



Signatures

/s/ Virginia Rosas, Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Da

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) Not applicable.
- (2) Exercisable and expiration dates assume the director's separation from service from Franklin Resources, Inc. and its subsidiaries occurs in the February following the director's 75th birthday. See footnote below.

Represents a hypothetical investment account calculation of deferred Franklin Resources Inc.'s director's fees, under the 2006 Director Deferred Compensation Plan, based upon the performance of Franklin Resources Inc.'s stock (including reinvested dividends) payable in

(3) one payment following the director's separation from service from Franklin Resources, Inc. and its subsidiaries. Reporting Person may transfer the hypothetical investment account amount into an alternative investment account(s) not based on the performance of Franklin Resources, Inc. stock effective as of the first day of any calendar quarter.

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