FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Langren Carl W.</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEWLINK GENETICS CORP [(NLNK)]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director Officer (give title Other (specify							
	WLINK GE	rst) NETICS CORP P DR., SUITE 5		ON	01/	04/20	016		saction (Month/Day/Year)					X	Princ	cipal Acc		below) ng Officer	:	
(Street) AMES IA 50010					_ 4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(S1		(Zip)							D:		D .		ш. о						
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			or 5. Amo and 5) Securit Benefic		int of es ially Following	Form	: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Tranca		tion(s)			(ear .)		
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ 01/0					2016				A		3,142(2)) A	\$0		14,560 ⁽³		D			
Common Stock				01/05/	1/05/2016				S ⁽⁵⁾		595	D	\$34.6	(6)	(6) 13,965(3)(4)			D		
Common Stock				01/05/	01/05/2016				S ⁽⁵⁾		500	D	\$35.4	2 ⁽⁷⁾	13,465 ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		D			
Common Stock															49	,691		I	By Spouse's Trust	
		Т	able II								oosed of converti			y Ov	vned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deen Executio if any (Month/D	n Date,	4. Transa Code (8)		ion of		6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye		te	7. Title an Amount o Securities Underlyin Derivative (Instr. 3 an	f g Security	Deri Sec	. Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	i ly D oi (l)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	ble	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	1						
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$34.73	01/04/2016			A		8,989		(8)		01/03/2026	Common Stock	8,989		\$0	8,989		D		

Explanation of Responses

- 1. This Form 4 does not include 1,122 performance-based restricted stock units granted on January 4, 2016. These shares will be reported on subsequent Form 4's if and when the performance criteria are met.
- 2. Represents shares issued as restricted stock units ("RSUs") under the Issuer's 2009 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan") that were received as an award, for no consideration. The RSUs vest in a series of four successive annual installments beginning on January 4, 2017, provided in each case that the Reporting Person's continuous service to the Issuer has not been terminated as defined in or as determined under the
- 3. Includes 2,850 RSUs previously reported as holdings of the Reporting Person granted under the Plan. The RSUs will vest, and shares will be delivered to the Reporting Person in a series of two successive annual installments with the next installment occurring on January 2, 2017, provided in each case that the Reporting Person's continuous service to the Issuer has not been terminated as defined in or as determined under the Plan.
- 4. Includes 3,825 RSUs previously reported as holdings of the Reporting Person granted under the Plan. The RSUs will vest, and shares will be delivered to the Reporting Person in a series of three successive annual installments with the next installment occurring on January 2, 2017, provided in each case that the Reporting Person's continuous service to the Issuer has not been terminated as defined in or as determined under the Plan.
- 5. Represents shares of Common Stock sold to cover tax obligations associated with the vesting of previously reported RSUs pursuant to a plan previously implemented with a third party broker and approved by the Issuer's board of directors to offset the cost associated with taxes.
- 6. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$34.23 to \$34.98, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the issuer, any security holder of issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the ranges set forth in this footnote to this Form 4.
- 7. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$35.00 to \$35.74, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the issuer, any security holder of issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the ranges set forth in this footnote to this Form 4.
- 8. Grant to the Reporting Person of a stock option under the Plan. The option vests and becomes exercisable in a series of 48 successive equal monthly installments with the first installment occurring on February 4, 2016, provided that at the relevant vesting dates the Reporting Person's continuous service to the Issuer has not been terminated as defined in or as determined under the Plan. The option expires ten years after the date of grant.

Remarks:

/s/ Ryan Trytten, attorney-infact

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

- * 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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