FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Shafer Matthew T   |  |  |          |                                      |  | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Ocean Power Technologies, Inc. [ OPTT ] |  |   |                              |        |   |  |       |          | Check  | all app<br>Direc   | licable)  |  | Ssuer Owner (specify  |
|--|--|--|----------|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|---|------------------------------|--------|---|--|-------|----------|--|--|---|--|---|
| (Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O OCEAN POWER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.  1590 REED ROAD  |  |  |          |                                      |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/21/2016                                |  |   |                              |        |   |  |       |          | X  | belov  |   |  |   |
| (Street) PENNINGTON NJ 08534 (City) (State) (Zip)  |  |  |          |                                      | 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 |  |   |  |   |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned   |  |  |          |                                      |  |  |  |   |                              |        |   |  |       |          |  |  |   |  |   |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)  |  |  |          |                                      |  | Execution  |  | Date,   | 3.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |        |   | ties Acquired (A)<br>I Of (D) (Instr. 3, |       |          | nd   | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following<br>Reported                        |   | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4)  | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|  |  |  |          |                                      |  |  |  | Code  | v                            | Amount |   | (A) or<br>(D)                            | Price | .        | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)   |  |   | (111341. 4)  |   |
| Common Stock 10/2  |  |  |          |                                      |  | 10/21/2016   |  |   |                              |        | 15,462  | 462 <sup>(1)</sup> A                     |       | \$3.     | .22  | 22 15,462  |   | D  |   |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |  |  |          |                                      |  |  |  |   |                              |        |   |  |       |          |  |  |   |  |   |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year)  3. Transaction Execution D if any (Month/Day/ |  | ay/Year) | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr. 8) |  | of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)               |  | 6. Date Exercisable ar Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expirati Exercisable Date |                              | e      | Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr.<br>and 4) |  | ount  | nt<br>er |  | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions (Instr. 4) | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |   |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Granted under the Company's 2015 Omnibus Incentive Plan as annual compensation, which will vest for 3 years on the following terms: 33.3% vests on 09/17/2017, 33.3% vests on 09/17/2018, 33.3% vests on 09/17/2019.

/s/ Matthew T. Shafer

10/25/2016

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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