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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

| Name and Address of Reporting Person* Emkes Mark A | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CoreCivic, Inc. [CXW] | | | | | | | | 5 (1 | . Rela Check | tionshi all app Direc | nip of Reporting Person(s) to Is plicable) ector 10% C | | o Issuer % Owner | | |
|--|--|---------------------------|--------|--|--|---|---|--|------------------|--------|---|---------------|---|-----------------------------|---|---|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CORECIVIC | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/10/2018 | | | | | | | | | | Officer (give title below) | | | ner (specify ow) | |
| 10 BURTON HILLS BOULEVARD | | | | 4. If | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | | | |
| (Street) NASHVI | LLE T | N 3 | 37215 | | | | | | | | | | | | X | | n filed by One n filed by Mor on | | |
| (City) | (S | tate) (| Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acqu Disposed Of (D) (In 5) | | | | | | Securi Benefi | cially d Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | of Indirect | | | |
| | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | | (A) or (D) | Price | • | Transa | Transaction(s) Instr. 3 and 4) | | (1130.4) | |
| Common Stock 05/10 | | | 05/10/ | 2018 | | A | | 2,405(1) | | A | \$20.79 | | 58,893 | | D | | | | |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | | Execution Date, if any Co | | | ransaction of De Code (Instr. De Code (Instr. De Code (A Di Code (| | osed) r. 3, 4 | 6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye | | e | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) | | | | | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4 | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisa | | Expiration Date | Title | or Nui of | ount mber ares | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) issued to the Reporting Person pursuant to the Issuer's Amended and Restated 2008 Stock Incentive Plan in lieu of \$50,000 (50%) of the Reporting Person's annual retainer and meeting fees. Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock. The RSUs vest in full on May 10, 2019, subject to continued service with the Issuer through such vesting date.

Remarks:

/s/ Cameron Hopewell, Attorney-in-Fact 05/14/2018

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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