

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>McConnell Michael J</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O 11150 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD</u> <u>SUITE 600</u> (Street) <u>LOS ANGELES CA 90025</u> (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SPARK NETWORKS INC [LOV]</u> | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) |
| | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>11/02/2017</u> | |
| 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | |

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|------------|-------|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 11/02/2017 | | D | | 195,931 | D | (1) | 0 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/02/2017 | | M | | 10,888 | A | (2) | 10,888 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/02/2017 | | D | | 10,888 | D | (1) | 0 | 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) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|--------|--|-----------------|---|--|--|---|--|-------|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | | | Title |
| Restricted Stock Unit | (2) | 11/02/2017 | | M | | | 10,888 | (2) | (2) | Common Stock | 10,888 | \$0.00 | 0 | D | |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$1 | 11/02/2017 | | D | | | 24,000 | (3) | 03/21/2024 | Common Stock | 24,000 | \$0.00 | 0 | D | |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$5.37 | 11/02/2017 | | D | | | 50,000 | (4) | 07/07/2021 | Common Stock | 50,000 | \$0.00 | 0 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- Disposed of pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of May 2, 2017, by and among the Issuer, Affinitas GmbH, Spark Networks SE (f/k/a Blitz 17-655 SE) ("New Spark"), and Chardonnay Merger Sub, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of New Spark (the "Merger Agreement"), in exchange for 0.1 American depositary shares of New Spark ("New Spark ADSs") per each share, with each New Spark ADS representing 0.1 ordinary shares of New Spark (the "Merger Consideration").
- Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, unvested restricted stock units ("RSUs") were converted to the issuer's common stock immediately prior to the effective time of the merger and exchanged for New Spark ADSs upon effectiveness of the merger.
- The stock option was granted on March 21, 2017 for 24,000 shares and was exchanged with an option to purchase a number of New Spark ADSs equal to 24,000 multiplied by 0.1, with an exercise price per share (rounded up to the nearest whole cent) equal to the per share exercise price specified in such stock option divided by 0.1, vesting on the same terms.
- The stock option was granted on July 7, 2014 for 50,000 shares and was exchanged with an option to purchase a number of New Spark ADSs equal to 50,000 multiplied by 0.1, with an exercise price per share (rounded up to the nearest whole cent) equal to the per share exercise price specified in such stock option, divided by 0.1 vesting on the same terms.

Remarks:

/s/ Robert W. O'Hare
Attorney-in-fact

11/06/2017

** 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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