FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Siebert Eric | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Energy Recovery, Inc. [ERII] | | | | | | | | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner | | | | |
|--|---|---------------------|---|--|---|--|--|-----------|--|----------|--------------------------------|--|---|---|-------------------------------|---|---|--|
| (Last) C/O ENERGY | (First) | , | Middle) | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/03/2020 | | | | | | | | | Officer (give title below) VP, Oil | | Other (specify below) and Gas | | specify |
| 1717 DOOLITTLE DRIVE (Street) SAN LEANDRO CA 94577 | | | | | 4. If | Amen | dment, | Date of 0 | Original F | Filed (I | Month/Day/Y | 6. Indiv | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| (City) | (State | | Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Т | able I - N | on-De | rivativ | /e Se | ecurit | ies Ac | quired | l, Dis | sposed of | f, or Bene | ficially Ow | ned | | | | |
| | | | | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | | r) Ex | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Of (D) (Instr | |) or Disposed | 5. Amount Securities Beneficial Following | y Owned Reported | 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 | | nnsaction(s) str. 3 and 4) | | | (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | | | | | 3/2020 | | | | F | | 4,266 | D | \$10.2451(2) | 72,105 | | | D | |
| Common Stock ⁽³⁾ | | | | | 5/2020 | | | | M | | 11,446 | A | \$2.61 | 83,551 | | D | | |
| Common Stock ⁽³⁾ | | | | | 5/2020 | | | | S | | 11,446 | D | \$10.5343(4) | 72,105 | | D | | |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | se (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 Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | ate | e and 7. Title and Amour Securities Underly Derivative Securit 3 and 4) | | ing Derivative | | er of es s lly | 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 | Amount or Number of Shares | | Transacti (Instr. 4) | on(s) | | |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$2.61 | 02/05/2020 | | | М | | | 11,446 | (5) | | 06/08/2025 | Common Stock | 11,446 | \$0 | 75,00 | 0 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Payment of tax obligation by selling securities incident to the vesting of securities in accordance with Rule 16b-3(e).
- 2. Represents the weighted average stock price of the shares sold to cover tax obligation for restricted stock unit award vesting. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide the SEC staff, ERI or a shareholder of ERI full information about the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request.
- $3.\ This\ transaction\ was\ effected\ pursuant\ to\ a\ 10b5-1\ trading\ plan\ adopted\ by\ the\ Reporting\ Person\ on\ December\ 12,\ 2019.$
- 4. This figure is the weighted average sales price of multiple transactions. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide the SEC staff, ERI or a shareholder of ERI full information about the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request.
- 5. This employee stock option was granted on June 8, 2015. All of the options are fully vested and exercisable.

/s/ William Yeung, Attorney-in-Fact for Eric Siebert

02/05/2020

** 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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