

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>KASSAR RICHARD A</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O FRESHPET, INC.</u> <u>400 PLAZA DRIVE, FLOOR 1</u> (Street) <u>SECAUCUS NJ 07094</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Freshpet, Inc. [FRPT]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Chief Financial Officer</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/07/2017</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	12/07/2017		M		10,000	A	\$9.05	209,994	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2017		S		10,000	D	\$18.9278 ⁽¹⁾	199,994	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
Opt to Purchase Common Stock	\$9.05	12/07/2017		M		10,000		(2)	05/09/2026	Common Stock	10,000	\$0	60,584	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- The price reported is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$18.925 to \$18.95. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Freshpet, Inc., any security holders of Freshpet, Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each price within the range set in this Form 4.
- The options were issued pursuant to the Issuer's 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan. Half of the options vest in three equal annual installments beginning May 9, 2017. The remaining options are subject to the satisfaction of certain performance goals over three years beginning May 9, 2017 and the reporting person's continued employment through the vesting date.

/s/ Richard A. Kassar 12/11/2017
 ** 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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