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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| (Print or Type Responses) | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---------|--|--|-------------|-------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|---|----|---|
| Name and Address of Reporting Person * Merrill Deborah H | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DELTA APPAREL, INC [DLA] | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner | | |
| 322 S. MAIN ST. | (First) | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/31/2018 | | | | | XOfficer (give title below)Other (specify below)CFO & President, Delta Basics | | | |
| (Street) GREENVILLE, SC 29601 | | | 4. If Amendment, Date 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 | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | Table I - N | lon-D | erivative | Securition | es Acq | uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Own | ed | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securi (A) or D (Instr. 3, | isposed of 4 and 5) (A) or | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this SEC 1474 (9-02) | | | | | | | | | | | |

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| | 1. Title of | 2. | 3. Transaction | 3A. Deemed | 4. | | 5. Numb | er of | 6. Date Exer | cisable | 7. Title and | Amount of | 8. Price of | 9. Number of | 10. | 11. Nature |
| | Derivative | Conversion | Date | Execution Date, if | Transac | tion | Derivativ | /e | and Expirati | on Date | Underlying | Securities | Derivative | Derivative | Ownership | of Indirect |
| | Security | or Exercise | (Month/Day/Year) | any | Code | | Securitie | S | (Month/Day | /Year) | (Instr. 3 and | 4) | Security | Securities | Form of | Beneficial |
| | (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) |) | Acquired | 1 (A) | | | | | (Instr. 5) | Beneficially | Derivative | Ownership |
| | | Derivative | | | | | or Dispo | sed | | | | | | Owned | Security: | (Instr. 4) |
| | | Security | | | | | of (D) | | | | | | | Following | Direct (D) | |
| | | | | | | | (Instr. 3, | 4, | | | | | | Reported | or Indirect | |
| | | | | | | | and 5) | | | | | | | Transaction(s) | (I) | |
| | | | | | | | | | Date | Expiration | | Amount or | | (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | V | (A) | | Exercisable | | litle | Number of Shares | | | | |
| L | | | | | Couc | v | (A) | (D) | | | | Silaics | | | | |
| | Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 (1) | 01/31/2018 | | A | | 30,000 | | (2) | (2) | Common Stock | 30,000.00 | \$ 0 | 30,000 | D | |

Reporting Owners

| Deporting Owner Name / Address | | | Relationships | |
|--|----------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Merrill Deborah H 322 S. MAIN ST. GREENVILLE, SC 29601 | | | CFO & President, Delta Basics | |

Signatures

| /s/Deborah H. Merrill | 02/01/2018 |
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| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date |

Explanation of Responses:

- 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).
- (1) These Restricted Stock Units convert into Common Stock on a one-for-one basis.
- These Restricted Stock Units are eligible to vest on the date of the Company's filing of its Form 10-K with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission for its fiscal year ending October 3, 2020.

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