FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name an DeMari		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RENT A CENTER INC DE [RCII]										all app	olicable) ctor	Person(s) to Is		Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 5501 HEADQUARTERS DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/27/2012									X	belov	,		Other (specif below) erations	
(Street) PLANO TX 75024 (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									. Indivi ine) X	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day						Execution Date,		Transaction Disposed Code (Instr.			ies Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 ar			nd 5) Securities Beneficia		ties cially d Following	6. Owners Form: Dire (D) or Indi (I) (Instr. 4	ect rect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D) Pri		Price		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)
Common 01/27/2						012		A		1,229(1))	A	\$0.0	0000		7,299	D			
Common																4,332(2)			By 401k	
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. Deen Executio if any (Month/D	n Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date E Expiration (Month/L	on Da		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)				vative urity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	(D) rect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	or Nui of	ount mber ares						

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The Company earned 95.2% of the three-year EBITDA target established in connection with a performance-based restricted stock unit award granted to the reporting person on January 30, 2009, resulting in the vesting of 60% of such performance-based restricted stock units and the issuance of the reported number of shares of common stock.
- 2. As of December 31, 2011 (includes shares acquired under the Rent-A-Center, Inc. 401-K plan since the date of the reporting person's last ownership report).

/s/ Theodore V. DeMarino 01/27/2012

** 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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