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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1	dress of Reporting	Person*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>RENT A CENTER INC DE</u> [RCII]		ationship of Reporting Pe (all applicable) Director	erson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 5501 HEADQUARTERS DRIVE		(<i>,</i>	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/27/2012	- x	Officer (give title below) SenVP - Gen. Co	Other (specify below) unsel & Sec	
(Street) PLANO			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	lividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applica Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	erivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Ben	eficially	Person Owned		

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. Transa Code (8)	ction	4. Securities A Disposed Of (3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following 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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)
Common	01/27/2012		Α		3,504 ⁽¹⁾	Α	\$0.0000	12,246	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		version Date Exe kercise (Month/Day/Year) if a of vative	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	Amount or Number of Shares				

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.

/s/ Ronald D. DeMoss ** Signature of Reporting Person

01/27/2012 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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