TORCHMARK CORP

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **LUTEK BEN** Issuer Symbol TORCHMARK CORP [TMK] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

04/24/2017

Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title below) Exec. VP & Chief Actuary

TORCHMARK CORPORATION, 3700 SOUTH STONEBRIDGE DRIVE

(State)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

MCKINNEY, TX 75070

(City)

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acquii	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	04/24/2017		M	26,250	A	\$ 30.3267	30,550	D	
Common Stock	04/24/2017		S	26,250	D	\$ 77.0347 (1) (2)	4,300	D	
Common Stock							42,425	I	Family Living Trust

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 orDerivative 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 30.3267 (3)	04/24/2017		M	:	26,250 (<u>3)</u>	01/23/2015	01/23/2019	Common Stock	26,250

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Exec. VP & Chief Actuary

LUTEK BEN TORCHMARK CORPORATION 3700 SOUTH STONEBRIDGE DRIVE

MCKINNEY, TX 75070

Signatures

Ben Lutek /s/Carol A. McCoy, Attorney-in-fact 04/24/2017

**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) sales at prices ranging from \$76.79 per share to \$77.38 per share.
- (2) Reporting person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer or any security holder of the issuer.
- (3) Previously reported as option for 26,250 shares at an exercise price of \$45.49 per share, but was adjusted to reflect 3-for-2 stock split paid in the form of 50% stock dividend occurring on July 1, 2014.

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Reporting Owners 2

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