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ATAYAN CHRISTOPHER H Form 4 December 21, 2018 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 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 ATAYAN CHRISTOPHER H Issuer Symbol AMCON DISTRIBUTING CO (Check all applicable) [DIT] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last) (First) (Middle) _X__ Director X__ 10% Owner X_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) C/O AMCON DISTRIBUTING 12/21/2018 CEO and Chairman COMPANY, 7405 IRVINGTON ROAD (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **OMAHA, NE 68122** Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial anv (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) Following (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common Stock, par 334,013 D value \$.01 per share

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deriv Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	12/21/2018		А	9,900	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	9,900 (1)	\$
Restricted Stock Units	(2)					(2)	(2)	Common Stock	6,600 (2)	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(3)</u>					(3)	(3)	Common Stock	3,300 (<u>3)</u>	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
ATAYAN CHRISTOPHER H C/O AMCON DISTRIBUTING COMPANY 7405 IRVINGTON ROAD OMAHA, NE 68122	X	Х	CEO and Chairman				
Signatures							
Andrew C. Plummer, Attorney-in-Fact	12/21/2018						
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date						

Explanation of Responses:

If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") give the reporting person the right to receive, subject to being employed on the applicable vesting date, (i) cash equal to the per share Fair Market Value of common stock on the vesting date times the number of shares underlying the RSUs

(1) then vesting or (ii) common stock equal to the number of shares underlying the RSUs then vesting, as elected by the reporting person. Subject to earlier forfeiture under certain circumstances, these RSUs vest as to one-third of the total original 9,900 RSU award on October 23, 2019, October 23, 2020, and October 23, 2021.

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(3) then vesting or (ii) common stock equal to the number of shares underlying the RSUs then vesting, as elected by the reporting person. Subject to earlier forfeiture under certain circumstances, these RSUs vest as to one-third of the total original 9,900 RSU award on October 25, 2017, October 25, 2018, and October 25, 2019.

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