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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Knoll John D.

(Last)

(First) (Middle) Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

11/18/2010

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AEROFLEX HOLDING CORP. [ARX]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

ONE EMBARCADERO CENTER, Â 39TH FLOOR

(Street)

X Director

Officer

X 10% Owner Other (give title below) (specify below)

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

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

SAN FRANCISCO. CAÂ 94111

(City) (State)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

(Zip)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Ownership Form: (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 5)

Common Stock, par value \$0.01

15,245,521

I

SEC 1473 (7-02)

See Notes (1) (2) (3)

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security** (Instr. 4)

Conversion or Exercise Price of

Ownership Form of Derivative Security:

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Title

Derivative Direct (D) Security

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Date Expiration Amount or or Indirect
Exercisable Date Number of (I)
Shares (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Knoll John D.

ONE EMBARCADERO CENTER
39TH FLOOR

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SAN FRANCISCO, CAÂ 94111

Signatures

/s/ Jeremy M. Veit, by power of attorney

11/18/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

Includes shares of common stock held indirectly (through their ownership in VGG Holding LLC ("VGG")) by (a) Golden Gate Capital Investment Fund II, L.P., (b) Golden Gate Capital Investment Fund II, L.P., (c) Golden Gate Capital Investment Fund II (AI), L.P., (d) Golden Gate Capital Investment Annex Fund II (AI), L.P., (e) Golden Gate Capital Associates II-QP, LLC, (f) Golden Gate Capital

- (1) Associates II-AI, LLC, (g) CCG AV, LLC Series A, (h) CCG AV, LLC Series C, (i) CCG AV, LLC Series I and (j) CCG AV, LLC Series E. The entities listed in clauses (a) through (f) are managed by Golden Gate Capital Management II, L.L.C., and the entities listed in clauses (g) through (j) are managed by Golden Gate Capital Management, L.L.C. (together with the entities listed in clauses (a) through (j) and Golden Gate Capital Management II, L.L.C., the "Golden Gate Entities").
- Mr. Knoll is a Managing Director of an affiliate of both Golden Gate Capital Management, L.L.C. and Golden Gate Capital Management (2) II, L.L.C. and may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the entities listed in clauses (a) through (j). Mr. Knoll disclaims beneficial ownership in the shares owned by VGG, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

Concurrently with the consummation of the initial public offering of Aeroflex Holding Corp. ("Aeroflex Holding"), VGG will issue Class B-1 membership interests representing an aggregate of 0.3% of the membership interests of VGG to certain members of Aeroflex

(3) Holding's management. Pursuant to the terms of the limited liability company agreement of VGG, the issuance of such Class B-1 membership interests will reduce the percentage of the membership interests of VGG held by the holders of Class A membership interests of VGG on a pro rata basis. Following such reduction and the consummation of Aeroflex Holding's initial public offering, the Golden Gate Entities will indirectly beneficially own 15,195,250 shares of Common Stock of Aeroflex Holding that are held by VGG.



Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24.1 - Power of Attorney.

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