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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Merkle Claudia J</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O NMI HOLDINGS, INC.</u> <u>2100 POWELL STREET, 12TH FL.</u>  (Street) <u>EMERYVILLE CA 94608</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>NMI Holdings, Inc. [ NMIH ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>EVP, Chief Operating Officer</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/09/2017</u>	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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			
Class A Common Shares, \$0.01 par value per share	02/09/2017		A		26,126 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$0	134,966 <sup>(2)</sup>	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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	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					
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$11.1	02/09/2017		A		73,791 <sup>(3)</sup>		(3)	02/09/2027	Class A Common Shares, \$0.01 par value per share	\$0	73,791	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. Represents restricted stock units granted pursuant to the NMIH 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan. The shares underlying these restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 9, 2018.
2. Represents 8,700 class A common shares and 126,266 unvested restricted stock units.
3. Granted pursuant to the NMIH 2012 Stock Incentive Plan. The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on February 9, 2018.

**Remarks:**

/s/ Nicole C. Sanchez as                      02/10/2017  
Attorney-in-Fact  
 \*\* 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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