FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* Merkle Claudia J | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NMI Holdings, Inc. [NMIH] | | | | | | | | | all applic Directo | r 10% Owner | | vner | | |
|--|--|--|------------------------|-------------------------------|---|--|-----|---|---|---------|---|--|---|------------------------|---|--|--|------------|---|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O NMI HOLDINGS, INC. 2100 POWELL STREET, 12TH FL. | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/16/2020 | | | | | | | | | Officer (give title below) CEO | | | | | |
| | VILLE C. | | 94608 (7in) | | 4.1 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Indiv Line) X | vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Y | | | ion | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | Transaci (Instr. 3 | tion(s) | | | (Instr. 4) | | |
| Class A Common Shares, \$0.01 par value per share 11/16/202 | | | | | 020 | 20 | | | M | | 73,791 | A | \$1 | 1.1 | 200 |),317 | | D | | |
| Class A Common Shares, \$0.01 par value per share 11/16/202 | | | | 020 | 20 | | | S | | 73,791 | D | \$23.5 | 23.5677(1) | | 126,526 ⁽²⁾ | | 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) | Execution Date, if any | | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | | | 6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/\) | | ate | 7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | D | Price of erivative ecurity estr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4 | Ownership | Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exerc | cisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amo or Num of Shar | ber | | | | | | |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$11.1 | 11/16/2020 | | | М | | | 73,791 | (| (3) | 02/09/2027 | Class A Common Shares, \$0.01 pa value pe | n r 73,7 | 791 | \$0 | 0 | | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The common stock was sold by the reporting person in a series of open market transactions on the transaction date at a weighted average sale price of \$23.5677. The range of price was \$23.46 to \$23.82. The reporting person undertakes to provide, upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer, or a securityholder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price.
- 2. Represents 49,967 class A common shares and 76,559 unvested restricted stock units.
- 3. The option vested in full on February 9, 2020.

Remarks:

/s/ Nicole C. Sanchez as Attorney-in-Fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

11/18/2020

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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