Foster Karen A. Form 4 February 27, 2019

## FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

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 Foster Karen A. Issuer Symbol **BIOLIFE SOLUTIONS INC [BLFS]** (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O BIOLIFE SOLUTIONS. 02/25/2019 below) INC., 3303 MONTE VILLA Vice President, Operations PARKWAY, SUITE 310 (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 BOTHELL, WA 98021 (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 Acquired		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of	
Security	(Month/Day/Year)					of	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
				/ A >			Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
					or		(Instr. 3 and 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/25/2019		A	11,668 (1)	A	<u>(1)</u>	24,585	D	

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)

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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 of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed or (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 I S (
				Code V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Award	\$ 0	02/25/2019		A	11,668 (2)	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	11,668	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Foster Karen A. C/O BIOLIFE SOLUTIONS, INC. 3303 MONTE VILLA PARKWAY, SUITE 310 BOTHELL, WA 98021

Vice President, Operations

De Sec (In

## **Signatures**

/s/ Roderick de Greef as attorney-in-fact

02/27/2019

\*\*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) The restricted stock was granted pursuant to the BioLife Solutions 2013 Performance Incentive Plan and vests 25% on the first anniversary of the grant date and thereafter quarterly, in 12 equal quarterly installments.

The restricted stock was granted pursuant to the BioLife Solutions 2013 Performance Incentive Plan. The restricted stock will vest on the date that the registrant files its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended 2020 and will vest as to between 0% and 200% of

(2) the reported number of shares in column 5 based on the registrant's total shareholder return during the period beginning on January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020 as compared to the total shareholder return of 20 of the registrant's peers (such peers have been determined by the registrant's compensation committee with assistance of an outside consultant immediately prior to the grant date).

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