longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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|---|---|--|--|--|-------|-----------|--------------------------------------|--|---|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|--|---|---|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Kohl Gary Raymond |   |  |  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORP [MATW]   |       |           |                                      |  |   |                                     | -                          | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)   |                                      |  |   |   |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) TWO NORTHSHORE CENTER               |   |  |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/17/2021                      |       |           |                                      |  |   |                                     |                            |   | PTE                                  | sident SGK   |   |   |
| (Street)  |   |  |  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                             |       |           |                                      |  |   |                                     |                            | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |                                      |  |   |   |
| PITTSBURGH, PA 15212 (City) (State) (Zip)                   |   |  |  | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |       |           |                                      |  |   |                                     |                            |   |                                      |  |   |   |
| 1.Title of Security<br>(Instr. 3)                           |   |  | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year                  | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, it<br>arr)<br>(Month/Day/Year                      |       | ate, if 3 | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) |  | 4. Securities Ac (A) or Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) o Amount (D) |                                     | cquired d of (D) (5)       | 5. Amount of Securities<br>Owned Following Repor<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)  |                                      | rities Beneficially Reported   |   | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
| Kellinder. IK   | port on a so  | parate line for each of                    |  | - Derivati   | ve Se | ecurities | s Acqu                               | Perso<br>in this<br>a curr                       | ons whos form rently  | are not<br>valid O                  | t required<br>MB contro    | collection of<br>to respond u<br>of number.   |                                      |  |   | 474 (9-02)  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)         | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, it<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)   |       | 5. Number |                                      | 6. Date Exerci<br>and Expiration<br>(Month/Day/Y |   | ion Date //Year) Underlyi (Instr. 3 |                            | d Amount of<br>g Securities<br>ad 4)  | Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | Ownersh<br>Form of<br>Derivativ<br>Security<br>Direct (I<br>or Indire | (Instr. 4)  |
|   |   |  |  | Code   | v     | (A)       | (D)                                  | Date<br>Exercisal                                |   | piration<br>ate                     | Title                      | Number of<br>Shares   |                                      |  |   |   |
| Restricted<br>Share<br>Units                                | \$ 0 (1)  | 11/17/2021                                 |  | A  |       | 29,300    | )                                    | (2)  |   | (2)                                 | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 120 200 00  | \$ 0                                 | 29,300   | D   |   |

## **Reporting Owners**

|  | Relationships |              |               |       |  |  |  |
|--|---------------|--------------|---------------|-------|--|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                     | Director      | 10%<br>Owner | Officer       | Other |  |  |  |
| Kohl Gary Raymond<br>TWO NORTHSHORE CENTER<br>PITTSBURGH, PA 15212 |               |              | President SGK |       |  |  |  |

# **Signatures**

| /s/ Brian D. Walters (Attorney-in-Fact) | 11/19/2021 |  |  |
|---|------------|--|--|
| **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) Award of restricted share units under the Company's 2017 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan"), subject to the agreement entered into under the Plan. Each restricted share unit represents a contingent right to receive shares of the Company's common stock as described below.

Award includes 17,000 of restricted shares units of which, 40% vests on November 17, 2024; 30% vests at target based upon the Company achieving certain metrics based on Return on Invested Capital ("ROIC"); and 30% vests at target based upon the Company achieving certain metrics based on adjusted earnings per share. Vesting of all units are generally subject to continuing employment through November 17, 2024. Award also includes an additional 12,300 of time-based restricted share units, which vest on November 17, 2024. Upon vesting, time-to-based units will be converted to an equal number of shares of the Company's common stock; performance-based units will be converted to the Company's common stock using a factor ranging from 50% to 200% based upon the level of achievement of the performance thresholds related to the above targets. Performance related units that do not achieve the ROIC or earnings per share thresholds by the end of the performance period will be forfeited.

### Remarks:

The Power of Attorney dated April 23, 2018 was filed on April 25, 2018, in Form 3, and is incorporated herein by reference.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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