## FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D	.C. 20549
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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

footnote<sup>(1)</sup>

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					or S	ection	30(h) of the	investme	nt Co	ompany Act	t of 194	40						
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Benchmark Capital Management Co. VIII, L.L.C.			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  Confluent, Inc. [ CFLT ]  5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director X 10% Owner															
				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  09/08/2021  Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  below)														
I –				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     Form filed by One Reporting Person     X Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	()	State)	(Zip)															
		7	able I - No	n-Deriv	ative	Secu	ırities Ac	quired,	, Di	sposed o	of, oı	r Bene	eficially	Owned				
1. Title of	Security (Ins	tr. 3)		2. Transa Date (Month/D		Exe if ar	Deemed cution Date, ny nth/Day/Year	Transaction Dispos		Disposed	curities Acquired (A) or sed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 ar			Securities Beneficial	Beneficially Owned Following		nership Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
								Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Transactio (Instr. 3 ar	on(s) nd 4)			(Instr. 4)
Class A (	Common St	ock		09/08	/2021			С		9,267,3	372	A	\$0.00	9,267	,372		I	See footnote <sup>(1)</sup>
Class A (	Common St	ock		09/08	/2021			J <sup>(2)</sup>		9,267,3	372	D	\$0.00	0			I	See footnote <sup>(1)</sup>
Class A (	Common St	ock		09/08	/2021			<b>J</b> (2)		9,267,3	372	A	\$0.00	9,267	,372	I	<b>)</b> <sup>(4)</sup>	
Class A (	Common St	ock		09/08	/2021			J <sup>(2)</sup>		9,107,4	468	D	\$0.00	159,	904	I	O <sup>(4)</sup>	
			Table II -				ities Acq warrants							wned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	n 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of Execution Date, Transaction Derivative Expir		Expiratio	te Exercisable and ation Date th/Day/Year)  T. Title and Amo Securities Under Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)			nderlying ecurity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	erivative derivative Securitie		10. Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indirec (I) (Instr.	Beneficia Ownersh ct (Instr. 4)				
				Cod	le V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisal	ble	Expiration Date	Title	N N	mount or umber of hares		Transad (Instr. 4	ction(s)		
Class B Common Stock	(3)	09/08/2021		С			9,267,372	(3)		(3)	Clas Com Sto	mon 9	,267,372	\$0.00	25,74	8,625	I	See footnote <sup>(</sup>
		Reporting Person <sup>*</sup>		<u>′III, L.</u> ]	<u>L.C.</u>							·					,	,
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(City)		(State)	(Zip)															
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)					
1. Name and Address							
Benchmark Fo	ounders' Fund	<u>1 VIII-B, L.P.</u>					
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)					

### Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Shares are held by Benchmark Capital Partners VIII, L.P. ("BCP VIII"), for itself and as nominee for Benchmark Founders' Fund VIII, L.P. ("BFF VIII") and Benchmark Founders' Fund VIII-B, L.P. ("BFF VIII-B"). Benchmark Capital Management Co. VIII, L.L.C. ("BCMC VIII"), the general partner of each of BCP VIII, BFF VIII and BFF VIII-B, may be deemed to have sole voting and investment power over such shares. Eric Vishria, a member of the Issuer's board of directors, Matthew R. Cohler, Peter H. Fenton, J. William Gurley, An-Yen Hu, Mitchell H. Lasky, Chetan Puttagunta, Steven M. Spurlock and Sarah E. Tavel are the managing members of BCMC VIII, and each of them may be deemed to share voting and investment power over the securities held by such entities. Each such person and entity disclaims the existence of a "group" and disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities, except to the extent of such person's or entity's pecuniary interest in such securities.
- 2. Represents a pro-rata, in-kind distribution by BCP VIII and its affiliated funds to BCMC VIII and its respective members and equityholders and was not a disposition for value. The recipients of such shares in such distribution are subject to a lock-up agreement with the representatives of the several underwriters in connection with the initial public offering of the Issuer.
- 3. Each share of Class B Common Stock held by the Reporting Person will automatically convert into one share of Class A Common Stock upon the sale or transfer of such share of Class B Common Stock, subject to certain exceptions, and in certain other circumstances described in the Issuer's amended and restated certificate of incorporation. Each share of Class B Common Stock is also convertible at any time at the option of the Reporting Person into one share of Class A Common Stock.
- 4. Shares held directly by BCMC VIII.

#### Remarks:

This report is one of three reports, each on a separate Form 4, but relating to the same transaction being filed by entities affiliated with Benchmark and their applicable members.

/s/ An-Yen Hu, by power of attorney for Benchmark Capital 09/10/2021 Management Co. VIII, L.L.C. /s/ An-Yen Hu, by power of attorney for Benchmark Capital Management Co. VIII, L.L.C., 09/10/2021 the General Partner of Benchmark Capital Partners VIII, L.P. /s/ An-Yen Hu, by power of attorney for Benchmark Capital Management Co. VIII, L.L.C., 09/10/2021 the General Partner of Benchmark Founders' Fund VIII, L.P. /s/ An-Yen Hu, by power of attorney for Benchmark Capital Management Co. VIII, L.L.C., 09/10/2021 the General Partner of Benchmark Founders' Fund VIII-B, L.P. \*\* 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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