FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SPURLOCK STEVEN M				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			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2965 WOODSIDE ROAD			3. Date of Earliest Tra 11/12/2021	ansactio	n (Mo	nth/Day/Year)		Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)					
(Street) WOODSIDE	CA	94062		4. If Amendment, Dat	e of Ori	ginal F	Filed (Month/Da	y/Year)	Line	dividual or Joint/Grou ) Form filed by Or X Form filed by Mo	ne Reporting Per	son	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)											
		Table I	1	tive Securities		red,					l		
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 Disp Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(mounty)	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/12/2021		С		3,862,593	A	\$0.00	3,862,593	I	See footnote <sup>(1)</sup>	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/12/2021		J <sup>(2)</sup>		3,862,593	D	\$0.00	0	I	See footnote <sup>(1)</sup>	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/12/2021		J <sup>(2)</sup>		22,638	A	\$0.00	452,472	I	See footnote <sup>(3)</sup>	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/15/2021		S		87	D	\$82.2252 <sup>(4</sup>	452,385	I	See footnote <sup>(3)</sup>	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/15/2021		S		174	D	\$83.4631 <sup>(5</sup>	452,211	I	See footnote <sup>(3)</sup>	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/15/2021		S		2,282	D	\$84.5509 <sup>(6</sup>	449,929	I	See footnote <sup>(3)</sup>	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/15/2021		S		1,217	D	\$85.2425 <sup>(7)</sup>	448,712	I	See footnote <sup>(3)</sup>	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/15/2021		S		491	D	\$86.2903(8	448,221	I	See footnote <sup>(3)</sup>	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/12/2021		J <sup>(2)</sup>		90,484	A	\$0.00	1,509,420	I	See footnote <sup>(9)</sup>	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/12/2021		J <sup>(2)</sup>		36,300	A	\$0.00	1,201,394	I	See footnote <sup>(10)</sup>	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/15/2021		S		178	D	\$82.2252 <sup>(4</sup>	1,201,216	I	See footnote(10	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/15/2021		S		358	D	\$83.4631 <sup>(5</sup>	1,200,858	I	See footnote(10	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/15/2021		S		4,679	D	\$84.5509(6	1,196,179	I	See footnote(10	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/15/2021		S		2,495	D	\$85.2425 <sup>(7</sup>	1,193,684	I	See footnote(10	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/15/2021		S		1,007	D	\$86.2903(8	1,192,677	I	See footnote(10	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/12/2021		J <sup>(2)</sup>		10,347	A	\$0.00	10,347	I	See footnote <sup>(11)</sup>	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/12/2021		J <sup>(2)</sup>		47,549	A	\$0.00	1,466,486	I	See footnote <sup>(12)</sup>	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/12/2021		J <sup>(2)</sup>		20,694	A	\$0.00	20,694	I	See footnote <sup>(13)</sup>	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/12/2021		J <sup>(2)</sup>		37,201	A	\$0.00	1,456,137	I	See footnote <sup>(14)</sup>	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/12/2021		J <sup>(2)</sup>		4,397	A	\$0.00	960,063	I	See footnote <sup>(15)</sup>	
Class A Commo	on Stock		11/15/2021		S		193	D	\$82.2252 <sup>(4</sup>	959,870	I	See footnote <sup>(15)</sup>	

	Table I - Non-Derivati	ve Securities	Acqui	ired,	Disposed	of, or E	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	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Class A Common Stock	11/15/2021		S		388	D	\$83.4631 <sup>(5)</sup>	959,482	I	See footnote <sup>(15)</sup>
Class A Common Stock	11/15/2021		s		5,074	D	\$84.5509 <sup>(6)</sup>	954,408	I	See footnote <sup>(15)</sup>
Class A Common Stock	11/15/2021		S		2,705	D	\$85.2425 <sup>(7)</sup>	951,703	I	See footnote <sup>(15)</sup>
Class A Common Stock	11/15/2021		s		1,092	D	\$86.2903 <sup>(8)</sup>	950,611	I	See footnote <sup>(15)</sup>
Class A Common Stock	11/12/2021		J <sup>(2)</sup>		42	A	\$0.00	11,952	I	See footnote <sup>(16)</sup>
Class A Common Stock	11/12/2021		J <sup>(2)</sup>		48	A	\$0.00	2,125	I	See footnote <sup>(17)</sup>
Class A Common Stock	11/15/2021		S		43	D	\$82.2252 <sup>(4)</sup>	2,082	I	See footnote <sup>(17)</sup>
Class A Common Stock	11/15/2021		S		87	D	\$83.4631 <sup>(5)</sup>	1,995	I	See footnote <sup>(17)</sup>
Class A Common Stock 11/15/2021			S		1,141	D	\$84.5509 <sup>(6)</sup>	854	I	See footnote <sup>(17)</sup>
	Table II - Derivativ (e.g., puts	e Securities A s, calls, warra						wned		
1. Title of Derivative Conversion Date	3A. Deemed 4. Execution Date, Transac	5. Number of Derivative		ate Ex	ercisable and Date		and Amount of ies Underlying	8. Price of 9. Nu Derivative deriv	mber of 10.	11. Nature

	(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. Transa Code ( 8)		Deri Seci Acq or D	umber of vative urities uired (A) isposed of Instr. 3, 4 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Securities Ur Derivative Se		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	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	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)		
Class B Common Stock	(18)	11/12/2021		С			3,862,593	(18)	(18)	Class A Common Stock	3,862,593	\$0.00	21,886,032	I	See footnote <sup>(1)</sup>

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## **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, not for additional consideration, to its partners, including BCMC VIII and its respective members and assignees.
- 3. Shares are held by Steven M. Spurlock's family partnership.
- 4. Represents the weighted-average sale price per share of a series of transactions, all of which were executed on November 15, 2021. The actual sale prices ranged from a low of \$81.86 to a high of \$82.76, inclusive. Each Reporting Person undertakes to provide upon request of the SEC Staff, Confluent, Inc. or any security holder of Confluent, Inc. full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range. The amount reflected has been rounded to 4 decimal points.
- 5. Represents the weighted-average sale price per share of a series of transactions, all of which were executed on November 15, 2021. The actual sale prices ranged from a low of \$82.93 to a high of \$83.86, inclusive. Each Reporting Person undertakes to provide upon request of the SEC Staff, Confluent, Inc. or any security holder of Confluent, Inc. full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range. The amount reflected has been rounded to 4 decimal points.
- 6. Represents the weighted-average sale price per share of a series of transactions, all of which were executed on November 15, 2021. The actual sale prices ranged from a low of \$83.94 to a high of \$84.935, inclusive. Each Reporting Person undertakes to provide upon request of the SEC Staff, Confluent, Inc. or any security holder of Confluent, Inc. full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range. The amount reflected has been rounded to 4 decimal points.
- 7. Represents the weighted-average sale price per share of a series of transactions, all of which were executed on November 15, 2021. The actual sale prices ranged from a low of \$84.95 to a high of \$85.94 inclusive. Each Reporting Person undertakes to provide upon request of the SEC Staff, Confluent, Inc. or any security holder of Confluent, Inc. full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range. The amount reflected has been rounded to 4 decimal points.
- 8. Represents the weighted-average sale price per share of a series of transactions, all of which were executed on November 15, 2021. The actual sale prices ranged from a low of \$85.95 to a high of \$86.595, inclusive. Each Reporting Person undertakes to provide upon request of the SEC Staff, Confluent, Inc. or any security holder of Confluent, Inc. full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range. The amount reflected has been rounded to 4 decimal points.
- 9. Shares are held by Matthew R. Cohler's trust entity.
- 10. Shares are held by Peter H. Fenton's trust entities.
- 11. Shares are held by Mitchell H. Lasky's family partnership.
- 12. Shares are held by Mitchell H. Lasky's family trust.
- 13. Shares are held by J. William Gurley's family partnerships.
- 14. Shares are held by J. William Gurley's trust entity.
- 15. Shares are held by Sarah Tavel.

- 16. Shares held by An-Yen Hu's trust entity.
- 17. Shares held by Chetan Puttagunta.
- 18. 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.

## Remarks:

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

<u>/s/ An-Yen Hu, by power of</u> attorney for Steven M. Spurlock	11/16/2021
/s/ An-Yen Hu, by power of attorney for Matthew R. Cohler	11/16/2021
/s/ An-Yen Hu, by power of attorney for Peter H. Fenton	11/16/2021
/s/ An-Yen Hu, by power of attorney for J. William Gurley	11/16/2021
/s/ An-Yen Hu	11/16/2021
/s/ An-Yen Hu, by power of attorney for Mitchell H. Lasky	11/16/2021
/s/ An-Yen Hu, by power of attorney for Chetan Puttagunta	11/16/2021
/s/ An-Yen Hu, by power of attorney for Sarah E. Tavel	11/16/2021
** Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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<sup>\*</sup> If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

<sup>\*\*</sup> Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).