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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting EDENS WESLEY R	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEWCASTLE INVESTMENT CORP [NCT]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)X Director10% Owner				
(Last) (First) 1345 AVENUE OF THE AM	MERICAS, 45 FL	3. Date of Earlie 12/12/2016	st Transact	tion (Month/Day/Y	rear)		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify	below)	
(Street) NEW YORK, NY 10105	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting PersonForm 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)	Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Code		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial Ownership	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		(I) (Instr. 4)	(IIIsti. 4)	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	12/12/2016		P		1,000,000	A	\$ 4.15	1,000,000	I	The Wesley R. Edens 2011 GRAT Family Trust (1)	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	12/13/2016		P		530,000	A	\$ 4.15 (2)	1,530,000	I	The Wesley R. Edens 2011 GRAT Family Trust (1)	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	12/14/2016		P		112,000	A	\$ 4.16 (3)	1,642,000	I	The Wesley R. Edens 2011 GRAT Family Trust (1)	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	12/13/2016		P		530,000	A	\$ 4.15 (2)	1,017,280	D		
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share								172,848	I	Fortress Operating Entity I LP (4)	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share								775	I	As Trustee for Lynn Edens (1)	
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Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code		5. Numl of Deriv Secur Acqu (A) o Dispo of (D (Instr 4, and	rative rities ired r osed) . 3,			Amount of Underlying		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Securities Beneficially Owned Following	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial
				Code	V	(A)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	litle	Amount or Number of Shares				

Reporting Owners

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
EDENS WESLEY R 1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, 45 FL NEW YORK, NY 10105	X						

Signatures

/s/ Wesley R. Edens	12/14/2016
**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) Mr. Edens may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of these shares but disclaims beneficial ownership except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- The shares were purchased in multiple transactions and the price reported is a weighted average. The purchase price ranged from \$4.14 to \$4.15. The reporting person (2) undertakes to provide the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- The shares were purchased in multiple transactions and the price reported is a weighted average. The purchase price ranged from \$4.10 to \$4.20. The reporting person (3) undertakes to provide the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- (4) Mr. Edens may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of these securities by virtue of his relationship to Fortress Operating Entity I ("FOE I"). Mr. Edens disclaims beneficial ownership of any securities (and the underlying shares of common stock, if applicable) of the issuer held by FOE I except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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