MORELAND W BENJAMIN
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MORELAND W BENJAMIN

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1220 AUGUSTA DR, SUITE 600

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77057

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
CROWN CASTLE INTERNATIONAL CORP [CCI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/19/2018

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

__X__ Director _____ 10% Owner
_____ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or 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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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			
Common Stock $0.01 Par Value	02/19/2018		M		72,613	A	$ 0	647,668	D	
Common Stock $0.01 Par Value	02/19/2018		M		8,591	A	$ 0	656,259	D	
Common Stock $0.01 Par Value	02/19/2018		M		9,014	A	$ 0	665,273	D	

Common Stock $0.01 Par Value	02/19/2018		M	4,460	A	$ 0	669,733	D	
Common Stock $0.01 Par Value	02/19/2018		F	35,413 (1)	D	$ 109.12	634,320	D	
Common Stock $0.01 Par Value							572 (2)	I	by 401(k) Plan

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)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (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)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance RSUs	(3)	02/19/2018		M		72,613		(4)	(4)	Common Stock	72,613
Time RSUs	(3)	02/19/2018		M		8,591		(5)	(5)	Common Stock	8,591
Time RSUs	(3)	02/19/2018		M		9,014		(6)	(6)	Common Stock	9,014
Time RSUs	(3)	02/19/2018		M		4,460		(7)	(7)	Common Stock	4,460

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

MORELAND W BENJAMIN
1220 AUGUSTA DR
SUITE 600
HOUSTON, TX 77057

X

Signatures

/s/ W. Benjamin Moreland	02/21/2018
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

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(1) Represents shares withheld by the issuer to satisfy the Reporting Person's tax withholding obligation in connection with the vesting of certain Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") previously granted to the Reporting Person. Such withholding is exempt from Section 16 (b) pursuant to Rule 16b-3(e).

(2) Represents shares previously acquired in transactions exempt under Rule 16b-3(c).

(3) Each Restricted Stock Unit ("RSU") is issued pursuant to the Company's 2013 Long-Term Incentive Plan and represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock and vesting (i.e., forfeiture restriction termination) generally is subject to (i) the reporting person remaining an employee or director of the Company or its affiliates and (ii) the other criteria described in the footnotes below.

(4) 72,613 Performance RSUs vested on February 19, 2018, based upon the Company's total stockholder return performance ranking relative to a peer group of companies approved by the Company's board of directors for the three year period ending February 12, 2018. The remainder of the original Performance RSUs granted in February 2015 did not vest on February 19, 2018 and were forfeited.

(5) These Time RSUs were previously granted on February 12, 2015. 33 1/3% of the original grant amount of these Time RSUs vests on February 19 of each of 2016, 2017 and 2018.

(6) These Time RSUs were previously granted on February 18, 2016. 33 1/3% of the original grant amount of these Time RSUs vest on February 19 of each of 2017, 2018 and 2019.

(7) These Time RSUs were previously granted on February 16, 2017. 33 1/3% of the original grant amount of these Time RSUs vest on February 19 of each of 2018, 2019 and 2020.

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