FORM 4

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

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* O'Brien Kevin Patrick (Last) (First) (Last) (First) 1510 MAIN STREET | <u>HY</u> <u>INC</u> 3. Dat | HYDROFARM HOLDINGS GROUP, INC. [HYFM] (Check all applicable Director 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Officer (give below) 03/21/2022 Chief A | |) e title | nting Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner tle Other (specify below) counting Officer | | | | | | |
| (Street) SHOEMAKERSVILLE PA 19526 (City) (State) (Zip) | | mendment, Date o | d (Month/Day/ [\] | 6. Indiv Line) X | , | | | | | | |
| Table I - Non | -Derivative S | ecurities Acq | uired, | Dis | posed of, o | or Ber | neficially | v Owned | | | |
| | 2. Transaction Date Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities / Disposed Of (5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Follow Reported Transaction(s | ving 5) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |

| Common share | Stock, \$0.0 |)001 par value p | er 03/21/ | 2022 | | | A | | 25,365(1 | | A : | \$0.00 | 25 | 5,365 | | D | |
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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. Transa Code (8) | | 5. Numb of Derivativ Securitie Acquired (A) or Dispose of (D) (Instr. 3, and 5) | Expirative (Monthese | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | Price of ivative curity str. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | | 0. Dwnership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | | | Date | | Expiration | | Amou or Numt of | | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. On March 21, 2022 (the "Grant Date"), Mr. O'Brien was granted 25,365 restricted stock units ("RSUs") under the Issuer's 2020 Employee, Director and Consultant Equity Incentive Plan. The RSUs vest in three equal annual installments beginning on March 21, 2023.

Code V (A) (D) Exercisable Date

/s/ Jeffrey D. Cohan, Power of Attorney for: Kevin Patrick 03/23/2022 O'Brien

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Title Shares

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).

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