Instruction 1(b)

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BAGAI PAVAN | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ExlService Holdings, Inc. [EXLS] | | | | | | | eck all applic Directo | cable) or | g Pers | 10% Ow | ner | |
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| (Last) 280 PAR | (F K AVENU | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2018 | | | | | | | X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) President & COO | | | | | | | | |
| (Street) NEW YORK NY 10017 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | 4.1 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | 5. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
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| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D | | | | | Execution Date, | | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4) | | | | | s ally following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | : Direct r Indirect I str. 4) (| 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | |
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| | | - | | | | | | | uired, Dis , options, | | | | Owned | | | | | |
| 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/Ye. | Date, | Code (In | | | | 6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amour of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transactie (Instr. 4) | e s lly | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiratior Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | | |
| Restricted Stock Units | (1) | 02/22/2018 | | | A | | 10,600 | | (2) | 02/22/2028 | Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share | 10,600 | \$0 | 10,60 | 0 | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock upon settlement.
- 2. The restricted stock units will vest in four equal annual installments, beginning on February 22, 2019. Vesting will be accelerated upon certain termination of employment events and upon a "Change in Control" (as defined in the ExlService Holdings, Inc. 2015 Amendment and Restatement of the 2006 Omnibus Award Plan).

Remarks:

Note: On February 22, 2018 the reporting person was also granted performance-based restricted stock units that are subject to material conditions beyond the reporting person's control, and, therefore, not considered derivative securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and excluded from this report. Mr. Ayyappan is the Company's Senior Vice President & General Counsel/Corporate Secretary.

> /s/ Ajay Ayyappan, Attorneyin-Fact

02/21/2019

** 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).
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