

Mehta Neeraj
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FORM 5

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Mehta Neeraj
 (Last) (First) (Middle)
 777 LONG RIDGE ROAD, C/O
 CORPORATE SECRETARY
 (Street)
 STAMFORD, CT 06902
 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Synchrony Financial [SYF]
 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
12/31/2018
 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 See remarks
 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting
 (check applicable line)
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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) (A) or (D) Amount Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
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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	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)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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Derivative Security					or Disposed of (D)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
	(A)	(D)	(A)	(D)	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
Phantom Stock Units	12/31/2018		A		7,360 (1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	7,360

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Mehta Neeraj 777 LONG RIDGE ROAD C/O CORPORATE SECRETARY STAMFORD, CT 06902			See remarks	

Signatures

/s/ Danielle Do as attorney in fact
Date: 02/14/2019

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).
- The reported phantom stock units were acquired under the Synchrony Financial Deferred Compensation Plan and are to be settled upon (1) the reporting person's separation from service to the Company, subject to the requirements set forth in the Deferred Compensation Plan. Each phantom stock unit is the economic equivalent of one share of Synchrony Financial common stock.

Remarks:
Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer - Payment Solutions

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