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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Ende Eric J | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Matinas BioPharma Holdings, Inc. [MTNB] | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner | | | | | | |
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| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O MATINAS BIOPHARMA HOLDINGS, INC., 1545 ROUTE 206 SOUTH, SUITE 302 | | | DINGS, | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/03/2017 | | | | | | Officer (give | title below) | | (specify below) | | |
| (Street) BEDMINSTER, NJ 07921 | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | | _X_ | 6. 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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Reporting Owners

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| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | |
| Ende Eric J C/O MATINAS BIOPHARMA HOLDINGS, INC. 1545 ROUTE 206 SOUTH, SUITE 302 BEDMINSTER, NJ 07921 | Х | | | | |

Signatures

| /s/ Jerome D. Jabbour, attorney-in fact for Eric J. Ende | 04/21/2017 |
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| **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 option award was made in accordance with the terms of the Issuer's Amended and Restated 2013 Equity Incentive Plan (the "2013 Plan"). The option vests in equal monthly (1) installments over a period of 36 months commencing on April 30, 2017. The exercise price is based on the closing price for the shares of the Common Stock on the date of grant in accordance with the terms of the 2013 Plan.

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