

# FORM 4

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
<b>Saintil Merline</b>	<b>Rocket Lab USA, Inc. [ RKL B ]</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)	
<b>C/O ROCKET LAB USA, INC., 3881 MCGOWEN STREET</b>	<b>9/6/2022</b>	
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
<b>LONG BEACH, CA 90808</b>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)		

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. 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	9/6/2022		M		362386 (1)	A	(2)	400476 (3)	D	

**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. 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		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	9/6/2022		M		362386	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	362386	\$0.00	0	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Represents 120,795 shares of common stock issued on settlement of Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") on September 6, 2022, and 241,591 RSUs subject to service-based vesting.
- (2) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of the issuer's common stock upon settlement.
- (3) Includes 120,795 shares of common stock issued on settlement of RSUs on September 6, 2022; 241,591 RSUs previously reported in Table II that remain subject to service-based vesting requirements described in note 4 below; and 38,090 RSUs previously reported on Table I subject to service-based vesting requirements.
- (4) The RSUs are subject to both a service-based vesting condition and liquidity-based vesting condition. The liquidity-based vesting condition was waived by the Board for these RSUs on September 6, 2022. One-third of the RSUs satisfied the service-based vesting condition on August 22, 2022 and were settled for 120,795 shares of common stock on September 6, 2022, and the remaining two-thirds of the RSUs vest in eight substantially equal quarterly installments on each November 22nd, March 1st, May 22nd and August 22nd thereafter. As a result of the waiver of the liquidity-based vesting condition, the reporting person has elected to report the remaining unvested RSUs on Table I consistent with other service-based vesting RSU reporting.

#### Remarks:

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

#### Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
<b>Saintil Merline</b> <b>C/O ROCKET LAB USA, INC.</b> <b>3881 MCGOWEN STREET</b> <b>LONG BEACH, CA 90808</b>	<b>X</b>			

## Signatures

/s/ Merline Saintil

9/8/2022

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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).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY  
FOR  
ROCKET LAB USA, INC.  
SECTION 16(a) FILINGS

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Arjun Kampani, Adam Spice, and Janine Wong, each signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director and/or stockholder of Rocket Lab USA, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms ID, 3, 4, and 5 and amendments thereto in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and the rules thereunder;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form ID, 3, 4, or 5 or amendment thereto and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be necessary or desirable in connection with the foregoing authority, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms ID, 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities of the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact. This Power of Attorney shall expire as to any individual attorney-in-fact if such attorney-in-fact ceases to be an employee of the Company. This Power of Attorney may be filed with the SEC as a confirming statement of the authority granted herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 8th day of September, 2022.

Signature: /s/ Merline Saintil

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Print Name: Merline Saintil

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