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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan for the purchase or sale of equity securities of the issuer that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *<br><u>Cooper Nicholas James</u><br><hr/> (Last) (First) (Middle)<br><u>C/O VOLATO GROUP, INC.</u><br><u>1954 AIRPORT ROAD, UNIT 124</u><br><hr/> (Street)<br><u>CHAMBLEE GA 30341</u><br><hr/> (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>Volato Group, Inc. [ SOAR ]</u> | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)<br><p style="text-align: center;"><b>Chief Commercial Officer</b></p> |
|   | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br><u>06/07/2024</u>             |   |
| 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  |   |   |

**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) |            |       | 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                    | 06/07/2024                           |  | A                              |   | 346,412 <sup>(1)</sup>  | A          | \$0   | 3,812,565 <sup>(2)</sup>  | D  |   |

**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. Transaction 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 (Month/Day/Year) |                 | 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: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V | (A)  | (D) | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date |   |  |  |   |  |
| Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit    | (3)  | 06/07/2024                           |  | A                              |   | 22,560   |     | (3)  | (3)             | Common Stock  | \$0  | 22,560   | D   |  |

**Explanation of Responses:**

- The shares represent Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") granted on June 7, 2024. Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's Common Stock. The RSU shall vest 25% of the shares subject to 12 months of continuous employment on the vesting commencement date and 1/48th shall vest subject to continuous employment thereafter.
- Mr. Cooper beneficially owns 3,466,153 shares of Common Stock held by Hoop Capital LLC in which Mr. Cooper holds sole voting and investment power.
- Each Performance-Based RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of SOAR common stock. The performance rights vest upon SOAR's common stock achieving a specified price per share.

**Remarks:**

/s/ Jennifer Liotta, by Power of Attorney 06/11/2024

\*\* 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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