#### LIPSON ARTHUR D

Form 4

December 12, 2007

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

LIPSON ARTHUR D

Symbol

PIONEER MUNICIPAL & EQUITY

(Check all applicable)

INCOME TRUST [[PBF]]

12/11/2007

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O WESTERN INVESTMENT LLC, 7050 SOUTH UNION PARK

(Street)

(First)

CENTER, SUITE 590

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

MIDVALE, UT 84047

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial

(Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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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 Exerci- Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sh
Equity Swap (obligation to purchase)	\$ 13.59	12/11/2007		P/K(1)	19,800 (1)	12/11/2007	05/05/2008	Common Stock, no par value	19,8

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LIPSON ARTHUR D

C/O WESTERN INVESTMENT LLC
7050 SOUTH UNION PARK CENTER, SUITE 590

MIDVALE, UT 84047

## **Signatures**

By: /s/ Arthur D. 12/12/2007 Lipson

\*\*Signature of Reporting Date
Person

## **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).

On December 11, 2007, Western Investment Activism Partners LLC (WIAP) and a securities broker (Broker) amended the cash settled equity swap contract originally entered into on May 29, 2007 between Broker and WIAP so as to add a notional 19,800 shares of common stock of the Issuer to the equity notional amount of the shares subject to the equity swap. By the terms of the equity swap: (i) WIAP will

- (1) be obligated to pay to Broker the equity notional amount of the shares subject to the equity swap (Reference Shares) as of the beginning of the valuation period (which resets monthly), plus interest, and (ii) Broker will be obligated to pay to WIAP the market value of the Reference Shares as of the end of the valuation period. Any dividends received by Broker on the Reference Shares during the term of the equity swap will be paid to WIAP. All balances will be cash settled and there will be no transfer to WIAP of voting or dispositive power over the Reference Shares.
- Following the December 11, 2007 amendment to the cash settled equity swap contract, there is an aggregate of 1,091,300 shares of common stock underlying the equity swap contract between WIAP and Broker.
- For purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the Rules promulgated thereunder, as the sole managing member of Western Investment LLC (Western) which in turn is the managing member of WIAP, Mr. Lipson may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of common stock underlying the equity swap. Each of Mr. Lipson, Western and WIAP disclaims such beneficial ownership except to the extent of his or its pecuniary interest therein, if any.

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