

WASHINGTON MUTUAL, INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MATTHEWS PHILIP D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
WASHINGTON MUTUAL, INC ["WM"]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
180 SOUTH LAKE AVENUE #540
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/18/2008

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

PASADENA, CA 91101
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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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)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V	Amount or Price		
Common	01/18/2008			D	1,677.987 <u>(1)</u>	D	
Common <u>(2)</u>	01/22/2008			A	4,739	A	
Common					10,000	I	By Matthews Family Trust

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 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Phantom Stock	(3)	01/18/2008		A	1,677.987 (4)	(5)	(5)	Common	1,677.
Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$ 14.77	01/22/2008		A	6,818	(6)	01/22/2018	Common	6,818

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MATTHEWS PHILIP D 180 SOUTH LAKE AVENUE #540 PASADENA, CA 91101	X			

Signatures

By: /s/ Christopher J. Bellavia,
Attorney-in-Fact

01/23/2008

__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).
- (1) Upon the vesting of restricted stock, the Reporting Person deferred the receipt of the shares of common stock into the Washington Mutual Deferred Compensation Plan ("DCP"). As a result, the Reporting Person is reporting the disposition of shares of common stock to the Issuer pursuant to the DCP.
 - (2) Grant of restricted stock pursuant to the Washington Mutual, Inc. Amended and Restated 2003 Equity Incentive Plan.
 - (3) Converts to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
 - (4) WM phantom stock shares acquired under the Washington Mutual, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan through deferral of vested restricted stock.
 - (5) WM phantom stock value distributed upon payment commencement date selected by the Reporting Person.

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- (6) Grant of option pursuant to the Washington Mutual, Inc. Amended and Restated 2003 Equity Incentive Plan; including predecessor plans.
Option vests on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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