

WASHINGTON MUTUAL, INC
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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 *
FISHMAN ALAN H

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)
1301 SECOND AVENUE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
09/10/2008

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

SEATTLE, WA 98101

(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	(A) or (D)	Price
<u>Common</u> (1)	09/10/2008		A		612,500	A	\$ 0
					612,500	D	

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 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
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 2.32	09/10/2008		A	5,000,000		(2)	09/10/2015	Common	5,000,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FISHMAN ALAN H 1301 SECOND AVENUE SEATTLE, WA 98101	X		CEO and Director	

Signatures

By: /s/ Casey M. Nault,
Attorney-in-Fact

09/12/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Grant of restricted stock pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2003 Equity Incentive Plan as part of Reporting Person's initial sign-on equity compensation award. Performance criteria for vesting to be determined within 60 days.

Option granted pursuant to the Washington Mutual, Inc. Amended and Restated 2003 Equity Incentive Plan. The stock option grant vests in four equal 25% increments as follows: (i) 25% vests on 9/7/09, (ii) 25% vests if the average NYSE-reported closing price of the

(2) Company's common stock over 20 consecutive trading days equals or exceeds \$10.00 per share, (iii) 25% vests if the average NYSE-reported closing price of the Company's common stock over 20 consecutive trading days equals or exceeds \$14.00 per share, and (iv) 25% vests if the average NYSE-reported closing price of the Company's common stock over 20 consecutive trading days equals or exceeds \$18.00 per share.

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