WASHINGTON MUTUAL, INC

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Baker Todd H			Symbol				Iss	Issuer			
				WASHINGTON MUTUAL, INC "WM"]				(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1301 SECOND AVE			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/18/2008					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
(Street) 4. If			4. If An	4. If Amendment, Date Original 6 Filed(Month/Day/Year) A				EVP, Corp. Strategy & Develop. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check pplicable Line) K_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
SEATTLE, WA 98101								Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Ta	ble I - Non	-Derivative Sec	uritie	s Acquire	ed, Disposed of, o	r Beneficially	Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			d (A) or	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common	01/18/2008			F	662.4548 (1)	D	\$ 13.55	18,210.1762	D		
Common	01/18/2008			D	6,996.392 (2)	D	\$ 13.55	11,213.7842	D		
Common	01/18/2008			D	2,583.5452 (3)	D	\$ 13.55	8,630.239	D		
Common (4)	01/22/2008			A	21,000	A	\$0	29,630.239	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)

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to	\$ 14.77	01/22/2008		A	240,000	<u>(5)</u>	01/22/2015	Common	240,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
reporting owner runner runners	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Baker Todd H

1301 SECOND AVE EVP, Corp. Strategy & Develop. SEATTLE, WA 98101

Signatures

By: /s/ Christopher J. Bellavia,

Attorney-in-Fact

**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) Shares of vested restricted stock withheld to satisfy withholding obligations.
- Disposition back to the Company of previously-awarded shares of restricted stock that were forfeited due to the Company not achieving specified performance criteria.

01/23/2008

- Upon the vesting of restricted stock, the Reporting Person deferred the receipt of the shares of common stock into the Washington Mutual (3) 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.
- Grant of restricted stock pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2003 Equity Incentive Plan as part of the Reporting Person?s annual equity compensation award. Shares vest in two equal installments on January 22, 2010 and 2011, respectively, subject to the Company?s achievement of specified performance criteria.

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Grant of stock options pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2003 Equity Incentive Plan as part of the Reporting Person?s annual equity compensation award. The stock options vest 100% on the earlier of (i) January 22, 2011 or (ii) the NYSE-reported trading price of the Company?s common stock closing at \$26 or more per share for 15 consecutive trading days.

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