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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MASSACHUSETTS MUTUAL

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

LIFE INSURANCE CO

MASSMUTUAL PARTICIPATION **INVESTORS** [MPV]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

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

Director Officer (give title

10% Owner __X_ Other (specify

1295 STATE STREET

10/09/2008

below) See Footer

below)

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

SPRINGFIELD, MA 01111-

(City)	(State) (Z	Cip) Table	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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)
Shares of Beneficial Interest ("Common Shares")	10/09/2008		P	6,700	A	\$ 10.34 (1)	73,403	I (2) (3)	By Babson Capital Management LLC
Shares of Beneficial Interest ("Common Shares")	10/10/2008		P	11,200	A	\$ 8.29 (4)	84,603	I (2) (3)	By Babson Capital Management LLC
Shares of Beneficial	10/13/2008		P	13,000	A	\$ 11.06	97,603	I (2) (3)	By Babson Capital

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Interest ("Common Shares")	(5)			Management LLC
Senior Fixed Rate Convertible Note due 12/13/2011		1	D (6) (7)	
Shares of Beneficial Interest ("Common Shares")		36,436.92	D (7)	

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	•
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transac	tionNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	į
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Derivative	e		Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)	į
	Derivative				Securities	;		(Instr.	3 and 4)		
	Security				Acquired						1
					(A) or						1
					Disposed						
					of (D)						
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									A		
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	Date		Number		
									of		
				Code '	V (A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	ector 10% Owner Officer Oth		Other			
MASSACHUSETTS MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO 1295 STATE STREET SPRINGFIELD, MA 01111-				See Footer			
BABSON CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC 1500 MAIN STREET				Investment Advisor			

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SPRINGFIELD, MA 01115

Signatures

By: /s/ Christopher DeFrancis, Vice President and Assistant General
Counsel

10/14/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

By: /s/ James Masur, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Compliance
Officer 10/14/2008

**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) Represents average price. Actual purchase prices ranged from \$10.19 to \$10.38. Babson Capital undertakes to provide full information upon request.
- Purchased pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 Plan for Babson Capital, the investment adviser to Issuer and wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of MassMutual.
- The inclusion of the Babson Capital held securities of the Issuer shall not be construed as an admission that MassMutual is for the purpose of Section 16 of the Exchange Act, the direct or indirect beneficial owner of the securities of the Issuer beneficially owned by Babson Capital.
- (4) Represents average price. Actual purchase prices ranged from \$7.89 to \$8.50. Babson Capital undertakes to provide full information upon request.
- (5) Represents average price. Actual purchase prices ranged from \$8.84 to \$11.62. Babson Capital undertakes to provide full information upon request.
- (6) Note held by MassMutual that is convertible based on average price of Issuer's common shares ten days prior to exercise.
- The inclusion of MassMutual held securities of the Issuer shall not be construed as an admission that Babson Capital is for the purpose
- (7) of Section 16 of the Exchange Act, the direct or indirect beneficial owner of the securities of the Issuer beneficially owned by MassMutual.

Remarks:

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