

WASHINGTON MUTUAL INC  
Form 8-K  
February 18, 2005

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

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): February 15, 2005

**WASHINGTON MUTUAL, INC.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Washington**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-14667**  
(Commission File Number)

**91-1653725**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**1201 THIRD AVENUE, WMT 1601  
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98101**  
(Address of principal executive offices and Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (206) 461-2000

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**SECTION 1 - REGISTRANT'S BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS**

**Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.**

On February 15, 2005, the Governance Committee of the Board of Directors of Washington Mutual, Inc. (the "Company") approved the 2005 compensation schedule for non-employee directors of the Company. Pursuant to the approved schedule, Company non-employee directors will receive the following compensation for their service on the Board of Directors and its committees:

- an annual cash retainer of \$35,000;

