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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement PEPLIN INC [PLI] Spooner Michael (Month/Day/Year) 10/30/2008 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O PEPLIN, INC., Â 6475 (Check all applicable) **CHRISTIE AVENUE** (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner _X_ Director Officer _ Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person EMERYVILLE, CAÂ 94608 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) By Michael Spooner Family Common Stock $3,847 \frac{(1)}{2}$ I Trust Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not

 Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security	or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		(Instr. 4)	Price of Derivative	Derivative Security:	(Instr. 5)
			Derivative	occurry.	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Common Stock Warrant (right to buy)	07/03/2006	10/30/2010	Common Stock	153 (2)	\$ 12	I	By Michael Spooner Family Trust
Stock Option	09/28/2004	09/27/2009	Common Stock	5,000	\$ 18.54	D	Â
Stock Option	10/06/2008	10/05/2018	Common Stock	15,000	\$ 6.24	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Spooner Michael C/O PEPLIN, INC. 6475 CHRISTIE AVENUE EMERYVILLE Â CA Â 94608	ÂX	Â	Â	Â		

Signatures

/s/ Candace Page, Attorney-in-Fact for Michael
Spooner

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 are converted from CHESS Depository Interests which represent 1/20 of one share of common stock of the Issuer.
- (2) Excludes fractional shares that result from conversion of CHESS Depository Interests which represent 1/20 of one share of common stock of the Issuer

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