WASHINGTON MUTUAL INC

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

(Street)

901 MAIN STREET, #4900

Leppert Thomas C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

WASHINGTON MUTUAL INC

["WM"]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

08/15/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

DALLAS, TX 75202

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 3. 4. Securities

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Middle)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I)

Following Reported

Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

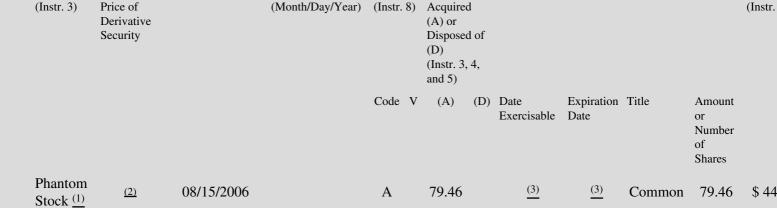
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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Price 1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date **Underlying Securities** Conversion Deriva (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Security or Exercise Code Securities Securi any

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Leppert Thomas C 901 MAIN STREET #4900 DALLAS, TX 75202	X			

Signatures

By: /s/ Christopher J. Bellavia, Attorney-in-Fact 08/17/2006

**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) Phantom stock shares acquired under the Washington Mutual, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan through deferral of retainer.
- (2) Converts to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (3) Phantom stock value distributed upon payment commencement date selected by the Reporting Person.

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