ROTELLA STEPHEN J

Form 4

January 12, 2005

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad ROTELLA S	*	ting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WASHINGTON MUTUAL INC ["WM"]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
(Last) 1201 THIRD	(First) AVENUE	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/10/2005	Director 10% Owner Selection Other (specify below) President and COO
SEATTLE, V	(Street) WA 98101		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac	quired. Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Form: Direct	Indirect
(D) or	Beneficial
Indirect (I)	Ownership
(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
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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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	7. Title a Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 a	of ng s	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	umber		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ROTELLA STEPHEN J 1201 THIRD AVENUE SEATTLE, WA 98101

President and COO

Signatures

By: /s/ Christopher J. Bellavia, Attorney-in-Fact 01/12/2005

**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) Grant of restricted stock pursuant to the 2003 Equity Incentive Plan.

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