

PETITT ANTHONY B
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

^ PETITT ANTHONY B

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2000 M-63N

(Street)

BENTON

HARBOR, ^ MI ^ 49022

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

02/26/2008

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

WHIRLPOOL CORP /DE/ [WHR]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

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

VICE PRESIDENT AND
CONTROLLER

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect (I)
(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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
(Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:
Direct (D)
or Indirect (I)

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 5)

Date Exercisable Expiration Date Title Amount or Number of Shares

(Instr. 5)

Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (1)	Â (1)	Common	864	\$ (1)	D	Â
Phantom Restricted Shares	Â (2)	Â (2)	Common	546	\$ (2)	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PETITT ANTHONY B 2000 M-63N BENTON HARBOR, MI 49022	Â	Â	Â VICE PRESIDENT AND CONTROLLER	Â

Signatures

/s/ Daniel F. Hopp,
Attorney-in-Fact

03/04/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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- (1) 864 option shares awarded on 02/18/2008 at the option price of \$88.49 per share. The shares will become exercisable as follows: one-third on 02/18/2009; one-third on 02/18/2010; and one-third on 02/18/2011. The options will expire 10 years from the date of grant.
- 546 phantom stock shares ("SEP") granted on 02/18/2008 under the 2007 SEP award of contingent shares made pursuant to the Whirlpool Corporation Omnibus Stock and Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16(b)-3. Time restrictions will lapse and shares will become vested on 02/18/2010.
- (2)

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