WASHINGTON MUTUAL INC

Form 4 March 16, 2005

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

SANDERS ELIZABETH A

WASHINGTON MUTUAL INC

["WM"]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

12835 SUTTER CREEK ROAD

(Street)

SUTTER CREEK, CA 956859733

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Person

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

Issuer

below)

X_ Director

Officer (give title

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 1.Title of Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. Code

TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

(I) (Instr. 4)

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

10% Owner

Other (specify

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

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Security or Exercise any

5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Price of (Inst Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares Phantom (3) (3) $\$ 0^{(2)}$ 03/15/2005 Α 211.35 Common 211.35 Stock (1)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SANDERS ELIZABETH A

12835 SUTTER CREEK ROAD X

SUTTER CREEK, CA 956859733

Signatures

By: /s/ Sophie Hager Hume, Attorney-in-Fact 03/16/2005

**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) Phantom stock shares acquired under the Washington Mutual, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors and Certain Highly Compensated Employees (DCP) through deferral of retainer.
- (2) Converts to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (3) Phantom stock distributed upon payment commencement date selected by reporting person.
- (4) Securities beneficially owned include quarterly dividends in the DCP.

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