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

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(Print or Type Responses)

600 MONTGOMERY

STREET, SUITE 1100

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Jolson Joseph A Issuer Symbol JMP Group Inc. [JMP] (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last)

(Month/Day/Year) _X__ 10% Owner _X__ Director X_ Officer (give title __ Other (specify 12/22/2008 below) Chairman and CEO

(Street) 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

(Check all applicable)

SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative S	Securit	ties Aco	quired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	cially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie on(A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4	osed o	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/22/2008		A	146,250	A	\$ 0 (1)	176,450	D	
Common Stock							447,613	I	By Jolson 1991 Trust
Common Stock							2,233,597	I	By Jolson 1996 Trust
Common Stock							75,000	I	By Foundation

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Common Stock	30,367	I	By Jolson 2005 Trust (5)
Common Stock	20,245	I	By Jolson 2004 Trust

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)

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. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Derivative Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title N
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0 <u>(7)</u>	12/22/2008		D	146,250	12/22/2008 <u>(8)</u> 12/22/2008 <u>(8)</u>	Common Stock 1

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Jolson Joseph A 600 MONTGOMERY STREET SUITE 1100 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111	X	X	Chairman and CEO				
Signatures							
Janet Tarkoff on behalf of Joseph A	Α.	12/24/2008	3				

Explanation of Responses:

**Signature of Reporting Person

- * 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).

Date

(1) Acquisition of common stock resulting from vesting and delivery of 100% of the restricted stock units granted on 1/16/2008.

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- (2) Reflects shares of common stock held by the Joseph A. Jolson 1991 Trust, of which Mr. Jolson is the trustee.
- (3) Reflects shares of common stock held by the Joseph A. Jolson 1996 Trust dtd 3/7/96, of which Mr. Jolson is the trustee.
- (4) Reflects shares of common stock held by The Jolson Family Foundation, of which Mr. Jolson is President and Treasurer. Mr. Jolson disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares.
- (5) Reflects shares of common stock held by the Jolson 2005 Trust FBO Jolson Children for the benefit of Mr. Jolson's children. Mr. Jolson disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (6) Reflects shares of common stock held by the Jolson 2004 Trust FBO Samantha Rohan Jolson for the benefit of Mr. Jolson's daughter. Mr. Jolson disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares.
- (7) Each unit represents a right to receive one share of common stock or an amount equal to the fair market value of one share of common stock on the applicable vesting date.
- (8) As of 12/22/2008, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors accelerated vesting of 100% of the RSUs granted on 1/16/08. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.