

PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL INC
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FORM 4

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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 *
GRIER MARK B

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL INC
 [(PRU)]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
**C/O PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL,
 INC., 751 BROAD STREET, 4TH
 FLOOR**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
01/18/2008

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

NEWARK, NJ 071023777

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code V Amount (D) Price | | |

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 80 | 01/18/2008 | | A | 120,806 | ⁽²⁾ 01/18/2018 | Common Stock 120,800 |
| Restricted Stock Units ⁽³⁾ | \$ 80 | 01/18/2008 | | A | 42,953 | ⁽⁴⁾ 01/18/2018 | Common Stock 42,953 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| GRIER MARK B C/O PRUDENTIAL FINANCIAL, INC. 751 BROAD STREET, 4TH FLOOR NEWARK, NJ 071023777 | X | | Vice Chairman | |

Signatures

By: /s/ Kathleen M. Gibson, Attorney-in-fact 01/23/2008

^{**}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) The number of stock options awarded to the Reporting Person was determined by dividing 40 percent of the total compensation value being awarded by the fair value of the Issuer's Stock Options based on the average closing price of the Issuer's Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange for the final 20-day trading period in December 2007, or \$94.29. The fair value of the Issuer's Stock Options was developed under a binomial option pricing model, which is a complex, mathematical formula.
- (2) The option vests with 50% after 2 years on 1/18/2010, 25% after year 3 on 1/18/2011, and 25% after year 4 on 1/18/2012.
- (3) The number of Restricted Stock Units awarded to the Reporting Person was determined by dividing 60 percent of the total compensation value being awarded by the average closing price of the Issuer's Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange for the final 20-day trading period in December 2007, or \$94.29.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest with 50% after 2 years on 1/18/2010, 25% after year 3 on 1/18/2011, and 25% after year 4 on 1/18/2012.

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