POTLATCH CORP Form 4

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FORM 4

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

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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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GILLIS RUTH ANN M

Symbol POTLATCH CORP [PCH]

(First) (Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2008

601 W. RIVERSIDE AVE., SUITE 1100

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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SPOKANE, WA 99201

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

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

(Instr. 4)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) 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)

1. Title of Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and Expiration

(Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) o Disposed of (D (Instr. 3, 4, and 5))			
				Code V	(A) (D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An Nu Sha
Phantom Stock Units (1)	\$ 47.66	01/01/2008		A	31.473	01/01/2014(2)	01/31/2014(2)	Common Stock	3
Phantom Stock Units (1)	\$ 45.91	01/01/2008		A	57.955	01/01/2014(2)	01/31/2014(2)	Common Stock	5'
Phantom Stock Units (1)	\$ 44.44	01/01/2008		A	264.401	01/01/2014(2)	01/31/2014(2)	Common Stock	26

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
and the second s	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
GILLIS RUTH ANN M 601 W. RIVERSIDE AVE., SUITE 1100 SPOKANE, WA 99201	X					

Signatures

/s/ Pamela Mull, 01/03/2008 Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- Phantom stock units are credited to the reporting person's account on the transaction date in accordance with the provisions of the (1) Potlatch Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors and will be converted to cash and paid on a 1-for-1 basis with the issuer's common stock.
- Phantom Stock units will be converted to cash and paid on the date previously elected by the reporting person in accordance with the provisions of the Potlatch Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors.
- Phantom stock unit beneficial ownership represents phantom stock allocated to the reporting person's Deferred Compensation Account **(3)** since the reporting person's last report. These phantom stock allocations represent meeting attendance fees.
- Phantom stock unit beneficial ownership represents phantom stock allocated to the reporting person's Deferred Compensation Account **(4)** since the reporting person's last report. These phantom stock allocations represent a quarterly distribution.
- Phantom stock unit beneficial ownership represents phantom stock allocated to the reporting person's Deferred Compensation Account since the reporting person's last report. These phantom stock allocations represent meeting attendance fees and a quarterly retainer fee.

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