

CARTER TERRY L

Form 4

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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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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
CARTER TERRY L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

601 W. FIRST AVE., SUITE 1600

(Street)

SPOKANE, WA 99201

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
POTLATCH CORP [PCH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/04/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

CONTROLLER

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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Common Stock | 08/04/2009 | | M | 5,119 (1) | \$ 18.6083 (1) | 13,966 | D |
| Common Stock | 08/04/2009 | | S | 5,119 | \$ 30.5 | 8,847 | D |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 13,449 | I 401(k) |

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities (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) | 8. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|--|-----------------|---|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 18.6083 (1) | 08/04/2009 | | M | 5,119 (1) | (2) | 12/07/2010 | Common Stock | 5,119 (1) |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|--|----------------------------------|
| | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| CARTER TERRY L 601 W. FIRST AVE., SUITE 1600 SPOKANE, WA 99201 | CONTROLLER |

Signatures

/s/ Pamela A. Mull,
Attorney-in-Fact 08/05/2009

__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) Share amounts and exercise price reflect an anti-dilution adjustment made in connection with the December 16, 2008 spin-off of Clearwater Paper Corporation.
- (2) The reporting person was granted the stock option on 12/7/2000 under the Issuer's 2000 Stock Incentive Plan. The option vested in two equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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