

RODMAN & RENSHAW CAPITAL GROUP, INC.

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 *
Lacovara Michael

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
RODMAN & RENSHAW CAPITAL GROUP, INC. [RODM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

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

C/O RODMAN & RENSHAW CAPITAL GROUP,, 1251 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS

08/14/2008

Chief Executive Officer

(Street)

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

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

NEW YORK, NY 10020

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | | | | (A) Amount (D) Price | 896,429 ⁽²⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/14/2008 | | A | 58,176 A <u>1</u> | 58,176 ⁽⁴⁾ | D | |

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 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) | 8. Priority of Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| Option | \$ 5 | | | | | (3) 10/14/2017 | Common Stock | 750,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Lacovara Michael C/O RODMAN & RENSHAW CAPITAL GROUP, 1251 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10020 | X | | Chief Executive Officer | |

Signatures

/s/ Michael
Lacovara 08/15/2008

**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) Not applicable.

Of these shares: (a) 750,000 are restricted shares issued pursuant to a Restricted Stock Grant Agreement dated September 4, 2007, and shall vest as follows: one-third of the shares shall vest on August 31, 2008, 2009 and 2010, respectively, if the consolidated gross revenues of Rodman & Renshaw Capital Group, Inc. (the "Company") for the twelve months ended June 30, 2008, 2009 and 2010, respectively, shall be more than 110%, 120% and 130%, respectively, of the consolidated gross revenues of the Company for the twelve months ended June 30, 2007; and (b) 71,429 are restricted shares issued pursuant to a Restricted Stock Grant Agreement dated February 15, 2008, and shall vest as follows: one-third of the shares shall vest on February 14, 2009, 2010 and 2011, respectively. Further, these shares are subject to accelerated vesting and forfeiture upon the happening of certain events as provided for in the respective Restricted Stock Grant Agreements.

(3) Exercisable to acquire one-third of the underlying shares on the first anniversary of the grant date and to acquire an additional one-third of the underlying shares on each of the second and third anniversaries of the grant date. Further, options for half of the underlying shares are subject to accelerated vesting and forfeiture upon the happening of certain events as provided for in the Option Grant Agreement.

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All of these shares are restricted shares underlying Restricted Stock Units granted to the Reporting Person in accordance with Rule 16b-3(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Such shares will be delivered to the Reporting Person in accordance with the terms of an award agreement between the Issuer and the Reporting Person.

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