

Nicholson William O  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 Nicholson William O

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC CO /OR/ [POR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 121 SW SALMON STREET  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 07/13/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Vice President

PORTLAND, OR 97204

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(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)  | Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 07/13/2009                           |  | M                              | 67  | A <u>2</u>  | 1,736  | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 07/13/2009                           |  | F                              | 235 <u>3</u>  | D \$ 19.38  | 1,501  | 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| Dividend Equivalent Right                  | <u>(1)</u>   | 07/13/2009                           |  | M                              | 67<br><u>(2)</u>  | <u>(1)</u> <u>(1)</u>                                    | Common Stock  | 67 <u>(1)</u>                              |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                    | Relationships |           |                |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer        | Other |
| Nicholson William O<br>121 SW SALMON STREET<br>PORTLAND, OR 97204 |               |           | Vice President |       |

## Signatures

Karen J. Lewis Power of Attorney on behalf of Reporting Person  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person      07/15/2009  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 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) Dividend equivalent rights (DER) accrue on restricted stock units (RSU) and become exercisable proportionately with the vesting of the RSU. Each DER is equivalent to one share of common stock of the issuer.
- (2) Reflects the settlement of DERs for common stock.
- (3) Represents shares withheld for payment of tax liability in connection with vesting of RSUs and settlement of DERs.

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