

Western Union CO
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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 *
BATTISTA GUY A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

THE WESTERN UNION
COMPANY, 12500 EAST
BELFORD AVENUE

(Street)

ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Western Union CO [WU]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/09/2009

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)
EVP & Pres. of WU Fin Svs Inc

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

1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction Number	5.	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. F
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Sec (Ins			
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.21	03/09/2009	G		0 <u>(1)</u>		<u>(2)</u>	12/08/2009	Common Stock	43,910
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.54	03/09/2009	G		0 <u>(1)</u>		<u>(2)</u>	02/07/2011	Common Stock	87,820
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.77	03/09/2009	G		0 <u>(1)</u>		<u>(2)</u>	02/06/2012	Common Stock	70,260
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.62	03/09/2009	G		0 <u>(1)</u>		<u>(2)</u>	02/05/2013	Common Stock	52,692
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.59	03/09/2009	G		0 <u>(1)</u>		<u>(2)</u>	02/25/2014	Common Stock	87,820
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.25	03/09/2009	G		0 <u>(1)</u>		<u>(2)</u>	02/23/2015	Common Stock	87,820
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.65	03/09/2009	G		0 <u>(1)</u>		<u>(2)</u>	02/22/2016	Common Stock	131,730
	\$ 19.13	03/09/2009	G				<u>(3)</u>	09/29/2016		33,530

Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	0 <u>(1)</u>	Common Stock
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BATTISTA GUY A THE WESTERN UNION COMPANY 12500 EAST BELFORD AVENUE ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112			EVP & Pres. of WU Fin Svs Inc	

Signatures

Sarah J. Kilgore, As Attorney-in-Fact for Guy A. Battista	03/11/2009
**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).
- Represents gift of limited partnership interest in Battista Family, LLLP to one individual. Gift represents a 49 percent interest in Battista Family, LLLP. The reporting person and his wife are the sole general partners of Battista Family, LLLP. The Western Union Company
- (1) employee stock options shown on this Form 4 are held by Battista Family, LLLP. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of The Western Union Company employee stock options held by Battista Family, LLLP, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
 - (2) This option is exercisable in full.
 - (3) The option vests in four equal installments on September 29, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010.

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