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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement RiskMetrics Group Inc [RMG] OBSTLER DAVID M (Month/Day/Year) 01/24/2008 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O RISKMETRICS GROUP, (Check all applicable) INC., ONE CHASE, Â MANHATTAN 10% Owner Director PLAZA, 44TH FLOOR _X__ Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Chief Financial Officer Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person NEW YORK, NYÂ 10005 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share 41,666 D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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 1. Title of Derivative Security
 2. Date Exercisable and (Instr. 4)
 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying (Month/Day/Year)
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 6. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Conversion or Exercise)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	(Instr. 5)
Stock Option (Right To Buy)	(1)	01/28/2015	Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share	41,664	\$ 4.8	D	Â
Stock Option (Right To Buy)	(2)	01/28/2015	Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share	354,170	\$ 4.8	D	Â
Stock Option (Right To Buy)	(3)	12/31/2015	Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share	62,500	\$ 7.2	D	Â
Stock Option (Right To Buy)	12/31/2010	12/31/2016	Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share	6,537	\$ 15.29	D	Â
Stock Option (Right To Buy)	(4)	12/31/2016	Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 Per Share	30,962	\$ 15.29	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
OBSTLER DAVID M C/O RISKMETRICS GROUP, INC., ONE CHASE MANHATTAN PLAZA, 44TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10005	Â	Â	Chief Financial Officer	Â	

Signatures

/s/ David Obstler	01/24/2008		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Options granted on 12/31/2002, which vest in two equal annual installments on the third and fourth anniversaries of the grant date.
- (2) Options granted on 01/28/2005, which vest in four approximately equal annual installments on the first, second, third and fourth anniversaries of the grant date.
- (3) Options granted on 12/31/2005, which vest in four equal annual installments on the first, second, third and fourth anniversaries of the grant date.
- (4) Options granted on 12/31/2006, which vest in three equal annual installments of 9,375 on the first, second and third anniversaries of the grant date and 2,837 of which vest on the fourth anniversary of the grant date.

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