SEAMANS HARRY D

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SEAMANS HARRY D			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol POTLATCH CORP [PCH]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
601 W. RIVERSIDE AVENUE, SUITE 1100			11/15/2004	X Officer (give title Other (specify		
				below) below) Vice President		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
SPOKANE, W	VA 99201			_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)		sed of		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	11/15/2004		Code V M	Amount 2,257	(D)	Price \$ 39.2939	2,257	D	
Common Stock	11/15/2004		S	2,257	D	\$ 48.9679	0	D	
Common Stock	11/15/2004		M	2,729	A	\$ 42.2707	2,729	D	
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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 39.2939	11/15/2004		M	2,257 (1)	12/07/1997	12/07/2005	Common Stock	2,257
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 42.2707	11/15/2004		M	2,729 (3)	12/05/1998	12/05/2006	Common Stock	2,729

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
SEAMANS HARRY D 601 W. RIVERSIDE AVENUE, SUITE 1100 SPOKANE, WA 99201			Vice President			

Signatures

Malcolm A. Ryerse, Attorney-in-fact 11/17/2004

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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) The reporting person was granted employee stock options on December 7, 1995, to vest in two equal annual installments. The grant was made under the stockholder-approved Potlatch Corporation 1989 Stock Incentive Plan. All these options have vested.
- (2) The employee stock option, after exercise, was sold at \$48.9679 per share.
- (3) The reporting person was granted employee stock options on December 5, 1996, to vest in two equal annual installments. The grant was made under the stockholder-approved Potlatch Corporation 1995 Stock Incentive Plan. All these options have vested.

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