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Form 4

February 25, 2008

| FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EVOLUNICE COMMISSION | | | | | | | OMB APPROVAL | | | |
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| may conti | Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 | | | | | | | | | |
| (Print or Type R | desponses) | | | | | | | | | |
| Walters John Clinton Symbol | | | er Name and | | | ng | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | |
| | FORD FINANCIAL CES GROUP INC/DE [HIG] | | | | (Check all applicable) | | | | | |
| (Last) | (First) (M | of Earliest Tra Day/Year) | ansaction | | | Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify | | | | |
| | FORD FINANCL GROUP -, ONE D PLAZA | | • | | | | below) Executive | below) ve Vice Preside | ent | |
| II A DTEODI | ndment, Date Original hth/Day/Year) | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | | | |
| HARTFORD, CT 06155 Person Form fried by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | | | | | |
| (City) | (State) (| Zip) Tab | le I - Non-D | erivative (| Securi | ities Acq | uired, Disposed of, | or Beneficiall | y Owned | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | urity (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if | | | 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price | | | 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) | |
| Restricted Stock Units | | | | | (2) | 2200 | 11,712.635 | D | | |
| Restricted Stock | | | | | | | 12,000 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 02/21/2008 | | M(1) | 9,354 | A | \$ 73.19 | 27,721 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 02/21/2008 | | F(2) | 3,797 | D | \$ 73.19 | 23,924 | 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. NumbionDerivative Securities Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 5) | es ed (A) or ed of (D) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|------------------------|--|--------------------|--|---------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | ' (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amo or Nun of Sl |
| Stock Options | \$ 65.99 | | | | | | <u>(3)</u> | 02/20/2014 | Common Stock | 7,5 |
| Stock Options | \$ 71.27 | | | | | | <u>(4)</u> | 02/19/2015 | Common Stock | 14, |
| Stock Options | \$ 83 | | | | | | <u>(5)</u> | 02/15/2016 | Common Stock | 15, |
| Stock Options | \$ 93.69 | | | | | | <u>(6)</u> | 02/27/2017 | Common Stock | 15, |
| Stock Options | \$ 92.69 | | | | | | <u>(7)</u> | 07/30/2017 | Common Stock | 3,5 |
| Performance Shares | \$ 73.19 | 02/21/2008 | | A <u>(1)</u> | 9,354 | | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Common Stock | 9,3 |
| Performance Shares | \$ 73.19 | 02/21/2008 | | M(1) | | 9,354 | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Common Stock | 9,3 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |

Walters John Clinton THE HARTFORD FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP -ONE HARTFORD PLAZA HARTFORD, CT 06155

Executive Vice President

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Signatures

/s/ Donald C. Hunt, POA for John C. Walters by Power of Attorney of John C. Walters dated July 26, 2007

02/25/2008

**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).
- On February 21, 2008, the Company's Compensation and Personnel Committee awarded a performance share payout, based on the level of the Company's performance relative to pre-established performance objectives, for the January 1, 2005 December 31, 2007 performance period. The performance shares were paid in shares of the Company's common stock.
- (2) Transaction involving the disposition to the Company of equity securities to cover tax withholding obligations in accordance with the Company's administrative rules.
- (3) The option became fully exercisable on February 18, 2007, the third anniversary of the grant date.
- (4) The option became fully exercisable on February 17, 2008, the third anniversary of the grant date.
- One-third of the option became exercisable on February 15, 2007, an additional one-third of the option became exercisable on February 15, 2008, and the remaining one-third of the option will become exercisable on February 15, 2009, the third anniversary of the grant date.
- One-third of the option will become exercisable on February 27, 2008, an additional one-third of the option will become exercisable on
- (6) February 27, 2009, and the remaining one-third of the option will become exercisable on February 27, 2010, the third anniversary of the grant date.
- One-third of the option will become exercisable on July 30, 2008, an additional one-third of the option will become exercisable on July 30, 2009, and the remaining one-third of the option will become exercisable on July 30, 2010, the third anniversary of the grant date.

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