MCDONALDS CORP

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or	Type	Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **ECKERT ROBERT**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

MCDONALDS CORP [MCD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

333 CONTINENTAL **BOULEVARD, MAIL STOP:**

M1-1524

(City)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Last)

(Month/Day/Year)

12/31/2008

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245-5012

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Ownership Owned Indirect (I) **Following** (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

(A) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

or

Common Family I 10,000 Stock Trust

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, at 5)) or (D)	6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>	12/31/2008		A(2)	1,993.89		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	1,993.89

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
***	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
ECKERT ROBERT 333 CONTINENTAL BOULEVARD MAIL STOP: M1-1524 EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245-5012	X				
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Signatures

/s/ Christopher Weber,
Attorney-in-fact
01/05/2009

**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).
- (1) Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of common stock and shall be settled in cash, pursuant to the Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan").
- (2) Acquisition of phantom stock pursuant to the Plan in transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(d)(1). Amount represents deferred compensation.
- (3) Payment of phantom stock may be deferred until the earlier of the director's retirement date or other termination from the Board or a specific future date pursuant to an election.
- (4) Includes shares acquired through dividend reinvestment.

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