

METLIFE INC
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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 *
STEERE WILLIAM C JR

(Last) (First) (Middle)
200 PARK AVENUE
(Street)
NEW YORK, NY 10166
(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
METLIFE INC [MET]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/15/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/15/2008		J ⁽¹⁾	V Amount \$ 485 A 29.39	20,737	D	
Common Stock					10	I	By MetLife Policyholder Trust ⁽²⁾

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. Number of 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)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Common Stock Equivalent Units	(3)	12/15/2008		J(4)	771	(3) (3)	Common Stock 771	(3)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STEERE WILLIAM C JR 200 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10166		X		

Signatures

Gwenn L. Carr, authorized signer
12/17/2008

__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).
- Reinvestment of dividends on shares held in the Reporting Person's share deferral account (the "Plan Account") pursuant to the MetLife
- (1) Deferred Compensation Plan for Outside Directors. The number of shares beneficially owned following the reported transaction may include adjustments in the Reporting Person's Plan Account to reflect the accumulation of fractional shares into whole shares.
 - (2) Shares held in trust under MetLife Policyholder Trust established to hold shares of Common Stock allocated to eligible policyholders of Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of MetLife, Inc.
- Each share of Common Stock Equivalent Unit is the economic value of one share of MetLife, Inc. common stock and were acquired
- (3) pursuant to the Deferred Compensation Plan for Outside Directors. These Common Stock Equivalent Units are payable in cash following the reporting person's retirement or other termination of service.
 - (4) The number of Common Stock Equivalent Units reported reflect the payment of dividends in the reporting person's account. Common Stock Equivalent Units were acquired pursuant to the MetLife Deferred Compensation Plan for Outside Directors whereby Directors may elect to defer receipt of cash retainer fees into a fund that tracks MetLife, Inc. common stock.

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