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Form 4

August 13, 2010

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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1(b).

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

			Symbol GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC [GS]					(Check all applicable)				
	(Last)	(First)	(Middle)			of Earliest Transaction Day/Year)				_X_ Director10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify		
C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO., 200 WEST STREET			08/11/2010					bei	below) Chairman of the Board and CEO			
									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)			
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	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tal	ble I - No	n-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acquire	ed, Disposed of, o	or Beneficially	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any	Execution Date, if		4. Securities Acquired (A) or ctionDisposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or 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)
Stoc valu)1 per	08/11/2010			Code \(\frac{1}{2} \)	•		()	\$ 82.875	1,816,193	D	
Stoc valu	1 per	08/11/2010			S		56,961	D	\$ 149.4951 (2)	1,759,232	D	
		08/11/2010			S		14,544	D		1,744,688	D	

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Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share					\$ 150.4238 (3)			
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	08/11/2010	S	17,465	D	\$ 151.2038 (4)	1,727,223	D	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	08/11/2010	S	1,711	D	\$ 151.9929 (5)	1,725,512	D	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share						309,852	I	See footnote (6)

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exerci- Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Nonqualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 82.875	08/11/2010		M	90,681	01/02/2004	11/26/2010	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	90,6

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BLANKFEIN LLOYD C C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. 200 WEST STREET NEW YORK,, NY 10282	X		Chairman of the Board and CEO				

Signatures

/s/ Roger S. Begelman, Attorney-in-fact

08/13/2010

**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) Reflects the exercise by the Reporting Person of Stock Options granted in November 2000 and scheduled to expire in November 2010.
- Reflects a weighted average sale price of \$149.4951 per share, at prices ranging from \$148.97 to \$149.96 per share. The Reporting Person (2) will provide, upon request by the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- Reflects a weighted average sale price of \$150.4238 per share, at prices ranging from \$149.97 to \$150.95 per share. The Reporting Person (3) will provide, upon request by the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- Reflects a weighted average sale price of \$151.2038 per share, at prices ranging from \$150.97 to \$151.72 per share. The Reporting Person (4) will provide, upon request by the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- Reflects a weighted average sale price of \$151.9929 per share, at prices ranging from \$151.97 to \$152.00 per share. The Reporting Person (5) will provide, upon request by the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (6) Held through a trust, the sole trustee of which is the Reporting Person's spouse and the sole beneficiaries of which are immediate family members of the Reporting Person. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.

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