

GENERAL MOTORS CORP  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
KATEN KAREN L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

300 RENAISSANCE CENTER

(Street)

DETROIT, MI 48265-3000

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

GENERAL MOTORS CORP [GM]

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

12/31/2008

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
General Motors Common Stock, \$1-2/3 Par Value				(A) or (D)	6,000	D	

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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
GM Stock \$1-2/3 Par Value Stock Units <u>(1)</u>	\$ 0	12/31/2008		A	14,610	<u>(1)</u> <u>(1)</u>	General Motors Common Stock, \$1-2/3 Par Value 14,610
GM Stock \$1-2/3 Par Value Option (Right to Buy) <u>(2)</u>	\$ 75.5					01/10/2001 <u>(2)</u> 01/11/2010	General Motors Common Stock, \$1-2/3 Par Value 2,311
GM Stock \$1-2/3 Par Value Option (Right to Buy) <u>(2)</u>	\$ 52.35					01/08/2002 <u>(2)</u> 01/09/2011	General Motors Common Stock, \$1-2/3 Par Value 2,830
GM Stock \$1-2/3 Par Value Option (Right to Buy) <u>(3)</u>	\$ 50.46					01/07/2003 <u>(3)</u> 01/08/2012	General Motors Common Stock, \$1-2/3 Par Value 3,000

# Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KATEN KAREN L 300 RENAISSANCE CENTER DETROIT, MI 48265-3000	X			

# Signatures

/s/ Martin I. Darvick, attorney-in-fact for Ms. Katen	01/05/2009
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>	<small>Date</small>

# 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) Stock Units credited pursuant to Rule 16b-3 qualified GM Compensation Plan for Non-employee Directors. Deferred compensation, equal to the retainers earned during the year, is credited annually on each December 31. The deferred compensation is converted into Stock Units at the average daily closing market price of GM Common Stock for such year. The amounts credited during the year also include dividend equivalents on such Stock Units. Pursuant to such Plan, the Stock Units are deferred until after the director's retirement from GM and are paid in cash. The Stock Units convert on a one for one basis. The price of Zero is nominal and only used for purposes of facilitating the electronic filing of this Form.
  - (2) Director stock option granted pursuant to Section 16b-3 qualified General Motors Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors. The stock option vested and become exercisable in three equal annual installments, commencing respectively, one, two and three years from the date of initial grant. Date shown in column 6 is the date the first installment became exercisable.
  - (3) Director stock options granted pursuant to Section 16b-3 qualified General Motors Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors. The stock option vested on the date indicated in column 6.

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