

Rometty Virginia M
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
Rometty Virginia M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP [IBM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
IBM CORPORATION, 294 ROUTE 100
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/08/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Senior Vice President

SOMERS, NY 10589

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--------|---|--|-----------------------------------|------------|-------|
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | | | | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 05/08/2008 | | M | | | 2,631 | A | \$ 0 | 21,906.542 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/08/2008 | | M | | | 2,875 | A | \$ 0 | 24,781.542 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/08/2008 | | F | | | 1,095 | D | \$ 124.46 | 23,686.542 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/08/2008 | | F | | | 1,197 | D | \$ 124.46 | 22,489.542 | D | |

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

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Upon lapse of the restrictions, these units are payable in cash or the company's common stock. The restrictions lapse for 2,804 of these units on 05/08/2009, for 2,804 of these units on 05/08/2010, and for the remaining 2,804 of these units on 05/08/2011.

- (2) These units were payable in cash or the company's common stock upon the lapse of the restrictions on the transaction date shown.
- (3) Release of restricted stock units.

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