

Western Union CO  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
**BATTISTA GUY A**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**THE WESTERN UNION  
COMPANY, 12500 EAST  
BELFORD AVENUE**

(Street)

**ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**Western Union CO [WU]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**10/23/2008**

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)  
**EVP & Pres. of WU Fin Svs Inc**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Am Underlying Sec
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	A N S
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.21	10/23/2008	<u>G</u> <sup>(1)</sup>			43,910		<u>(2)</u>	12/08/2009	Common Stock	4
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.21	10/23/2008	<u>G</u> <sup>(1)</sup>			43,910		<u>(2)</u>	12/08/2009	Common Stock	4
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.54	10/23/2008	<u>G</u> <sup>(1)</sup>			87,820		<u>(2)</u>	02/07/2011	Common Stock	8
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.54	10/23/2008	<u>G</u> <sup>(1)</sup>			87,820		<u>(2)</u>	02/07/2011	Common Stock	8
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.77	10/23/2008	<u>G</u> <sup>(1)</sup>			70,260		<u>(2)</u>	02/06/2012	Common Stock	7
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.77	10/23/2008	<u>G</u> <sup>(1)</sup>			70,260		<u>(2)</u>	02/06/2012	Common Stock	7
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.62	10/23/2008	<u>G</u> <sup>(1)</sup>			52,692		<u>(2)</u>	02/05/2013	Common Stock	5
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.62	10/23/2008	<u>G</u> <sup>(1)</sup>			52,692		<u>(2)</u>	02/05/2013	Common Stock	5

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Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.59	10/23/2008	G <sup>(1)</sup>	87,820	(2)	02/25/2014	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.59	10/23/2008	G <sup>(1)</sup>	87,820	(2)	02/25/2014	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.25	10/23/2008	G <sup>(1)</sup>	87,820	(2)	02/23/2015	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.25	10/23/2008	G <sup>(1)</sup>	87,820	(2)	02/23/2015	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.65	10/23/2008	G <sup>(1)</sup>	131,730	(2)	02/22/2016	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.65	10/23/2008	G <sup>(1)</sup>	131,730	(2)	02/22/2016	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.13	10/23/2008	G <sup>(1)</sup>	33,530	(3)	09/29/2016	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.13	10/23/2008	G <sup>(1)</sup>	33,530	(3)	09/29/2016	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

BATTISTA GUY A  
THE WESTERN UNION COMPANY  
12500 EAST BELFORD AVENUE  
ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112

EVP & Pres. of WU Fin Svs Inc

## Signatures

Sarah J. Kilgore, As Attorney-in-Fact for Guy A.  
Battista

10/27/2008

\_\_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).
- (1) The reporting person gifted these stock options to Battista Family, LLLP, a limited liability limited partnership of which the reporting person and his wife were the only general and limited partners as of October 23, 2008.
- (2) This option is exercisable in full.
- (3) The option vests in four equal installments on September 29, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010.

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