

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES 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 *
 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)

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

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

IBM CORPORATION, 294 ROUTE 100

05/08/2007

Senior Vice President

(Street)

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

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

SOMERS, NY 10589

(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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common Stock | 05/08/2007 | | M | 2,875 | A \$ 0 | 7,877.0622 | D |
| Common Stock | 05/08/2007 | | F | 1,197 | D \$ 102.8 | 6,680.0622 | 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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Rst. Stock Unit | \$ 0 ⁽¹⁾ | 05/08/2007 | | A ⁽¹⁾ | 7,895 | <u>(1)</u> / <u>(1)</u> | Common Stock | 7,895 |
| Rst. Stock Unit | \$ 0 ⁽²⁾ | 05/08/2007 | | M ⁽³⁾ | 2,875 | <u>(2)</u> / <u>(2)</u> | Common Stock | 2,875 |
| Phantom Stock Unit | \$ 0 ⁽⁴⁾ | 05/08/2007 | | A ⁽⁵⁾ | 52 | <u>(6)</u> / <u>(6)</u> | Common Stock | 52 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Rometty Virginia M IBM CORPORATION 294 ROUTE 100 SOMERS, NY 10589 | | | Senior Vice President | |

Signatures

D. Cummins for V. M. Rometty by
power-of-attorney

05/09/2007

__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) Upon lapse of the restrictions, these units are payable in cash or the company's common stock. The restrictions lapse for 2,631 of these units on 05/08/2008, for 2,632 of these units on 05/08/2009, and for the remaining 2,632 of these units on 05/08/2010.
- (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.
- (4) Phantom stock units convert to the cash value of the company's common stock on a one-for-one basis.

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(5) Acquisition of phantom stock units under the IBM Executive Deferred Compensation Plan.

(6) Distribution of phantom stock units under the IBM Executive Deferred Compensation Plan is deferred until separation from the company.

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