

Nelson John R.
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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 *
Nelson John R.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ALTRIA GROUP, INC. [MO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
6601 WEST BROAD STREET
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
11/13/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP & Chief Technology Officer

RICHMOND, VA 23230

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	11/13/2009		M	33,542 A \$ 11.653	340,829	D	
Common Stock	11/13/2009		F	25,953 D \$ 19.15	314,923 ⁽¹⁾	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)		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.653	11/13/2009		M	33,542	11/14/2001	01/26/2010	Common Stock	33,542

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Nelson John R. 6601 WEST BROAD STREET RICHMOND, VA 23230			EVP & Chief Technology Officer	

Signatures

W. Hildebrandt Surgner, Jr. for John R. Nelson
 11/17/2009

**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).

Includes 126,680 shares of Restricted Stock and 58,221 shares of Deferred Stock. Total also includes 1,248 shares held jointly with wife (1) in the Altria Employee Stock Purchase Plan, including 47 shares acquired through the reinvestment of dividends since May 29, 2009, the date of the last reportable transaction.

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