Cowen Group, Inc. Form 4 May 12, 2008

### FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** Form 4 or

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Toffolon John E Jr Issuer Symbol Cowen Group, Inc. [COWN] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) \_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title C/O COWEN GROUP, INC., 1221 05/09/2008 below) AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

#### NEW YORK, NY 10020

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ities Acq	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly 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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common	05/09/2008		Code V	Amount 183	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 39,817	D	
Stock	03/09/2008		S	165	D	\$ 0.9	39,817	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S	1,000	D	\$ 6.92	38,817	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S	1,300	D	\$ 6.93	37,517	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S	1,717	D	\$ 6.95	35,800	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S	200	D	\$ 6.97	35,600	D	

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Common Stock	05/09/2008	S	100	D	\$ 6.99	35,500	D
Common Stock	05/09/2008	S	5,009	D	\$ 7	30,491	D
Common Stock	05/09/2008	S	100	D	\$ 7.01	30,391	D
Common Stock	05/09/2008	S	200	D	\$ 7.02	30,191	D
Common Stock	05/09/2008	S	100	D	\$ 7.05	30,091	D
Common Stock	05/09/2008	S	4,800	D	\$ 7.1	25,291	D
Common Stock	05/09/2008	S	900	D	\$ 7.11	24,391	D
Common Stock	05/09/2008	S	100	D	\$ 7.12	24,291	D
Common Stock	05/09/2008	S	3,400	D	\$ 7.13	20,891	D
Common Stock	05/09/2008	S	800	D	\$ 7.14	20,091	D
Common Stock	05/09/2008	S	1,261	D	\$ 7.15	18,830	D
Common Stock	05/09/2008	S	1,300	D	\$ 7.16	17,530	D
Common Stock	05/09/2008	S	1,100	D	\$ 7.17	16,430	D
Common Stock	05/09/2008	S	200	D	\$ 7.18	16,230	D
Common Stock	05/09/2008	S	200	D	\$ 7.19	16,030	D
Common Stock	05/09/2008	S	1,030	D	\$ 7.2	15,000	D

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio	5. orNumber	6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of	8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	()	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Yea e	ar)	Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Ex Exercisable Da	•	Title Amount or Number of Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Toffolon John E Jr C/O COWEN GROUP, INC. 1221 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10020

### **Signatures**

/s/ John E. Toffolon, Jr. 05/12/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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