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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 * Johnson Craig R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

JMP Group Inc. [JMP]

(Check all applicable)

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/16/2008

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

President

600 MONTGOMERY STREET,

SUITE 1100

(City)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

below)

SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111

(Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

3. 4. Securities Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. 1 Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** De Security or Exercise any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Sec

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired or Dispos (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	ed of					(I
				Code V	(A)	` ′	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	01/16/2008		A	79,861		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	79,861	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	01/16/2008		A	17,530		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	17,530	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
F	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Johnson Craig R 600 MONTGOMERY STREET, SUITE 1100	X		President			
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111						

Signatures

/s/ Janet Tarkoff on behalf of Craig R.
Johnson
01/18/2008

**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).
- The restricted stock units will vest in 50% installments at each of the first and second anniversaries of the grant date. Each unit represents a right to receive one share of Common Stock or an amount equal to the fair market value of the Common Stock underlying the unit on the vesting date. Payment may be made in cash, shares of Common Stock or a combination thereof.
- The restricted stock units will vest in installments of 50% at the second anniversary of the grant date and 25% at each of the third and fourth anniversaries of the grant date. Each unit represents a right to receive one share of Common Stock or an amount equal to the fair market value of the Common Stock underlying the unit on the vesting date. Payment may be made in cash, shares of Common Stock or a combination thereof.

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