

ANNALY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT INC  
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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 \*  
**FORTESCUE JAMES**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**ANNALY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT INC [NLY]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**08/11/2008**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 MD and Head of Liabilities

**C/O: ANNALY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, INC., 1211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, SUITE 2902**

(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

**NEW YORK, NY 10036**

(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) Code V	Amount	Price	
Common Stock	08/11/2008		M	3,000	A	\$ 11.72	64,261 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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to purchase Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 17.97					08/04/2004	08/04/2013	Common Stock	20,000
Option to purchase Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 17.39					04/20/2005	04/20/2014	Common Stock	20,000
Option to purchase Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 17.07					07/07/2006	07/07/2015	Common Stock	30,000
Option to purchase Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 11.72	08/11/2008		M	3,000	02/13/2007	02/13/2016	Common Stock	3,000
Option to purchase Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 15.7					05/17/2008	05/17/2017	Common Stock	40,000
Option to purchase Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 16.46					05/08/2009	05/08/2018	Common Stock	53,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FORTESCUE JAMES C/O: ANNALY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, INC. 1211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, SUITE 2902			MD and Head of Liabilities	

NEW YORK, NY 10036

## Signatures

/s/ James P.  
Fortescue

08/11/2008

\_\_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) Options previously granted.

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