

AMAZON COM INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Kessel Steven

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
P.O. BOX 81226  
(Street)  
SEATTLE, WA 98108-1226  
(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AMAZON COM INC [AMZN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/15/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Senior Vice President

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

**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	(D)	Price
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	05/15/2008		M		1,360	A	\$ 0
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	05/15/2008		M		8,925	A	\$ 0
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	05/15/2008		S <sup>(1)</sup>		700	D	\$ 73.55
					9,585	D	

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value \$.01 per share							
Common Stock, par value	05/15/2008	<u>S(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 73.56	9,385	D
\$.01 per share							
Common Stock, par value	05/15/2008	<u>S(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 73.62	9,285	D
\$.01 per share							
Common Stock, par value	05/15/2008	<u>S(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 73.63	9,085	D
\$.01 per share							
Common Stock, par value	05/15/2008	<u>S(1)</u>	300	D	\$ 73.64	8,785	D
\$.01 per share							
Common Stock, par value	05/15/2008	<u>S(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 73.65	8,585	D
\$.01 per share							
Common Stock, par value	05/15/2008	<u>S(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 73.68	8,385	D
\$.01 per share							
Common Stock, par value	05/15/2008	<u>S(1)</u>	1,100	D	\$ 73.69	7,285	D
\$.01 per share							
Common Stock, par value	05/15/2008	<u>S(1)</u>	600	D	\$ 73.7	6,685	D
\$.01 per share							
Common Stock, par value	05/15/2008	<u>S(1)</u>	770	D	\$ 73.71	5,915	D

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Common Stock, par value	05/15/2008	<u>S<sup>(1)</sup></u>	200	D	\$ 73.74	5,715	D
\$.01 per share							
Common Stock, par value	05/15/2008	<u>S<sup>(1)</sup></u>	966	D	\$ 73.76	4,749	D
\$.01 per share							
Common Stock, par value	05/15/2008	<u>S<sup>(1)</sup></u>	200	D	\$ 73.77	4,549	D
\$.01 per share							
Common Stock, par value	05/15/2008	<u>S<sup>(1)</sup></u>	34	D	\$ 73.78	4,515	D
\$.01 per share							
Common Stock, par value	05/15/2008	<u>S<sup>(1)</sup></u>	100	D	\$ 73.8	4,415	D
\$.01 per share							
Common Stock, par value	05/15/2008	<u>S<sup>(1)</sup></u>	300	D	\$ 73.81	4,115	D
\$.01 per share							
Common Stock, par value	05/15/2008	<u>S<sup>(1)</sup></u>	200	D	\$ 73.83	3,915	D
\$.01 per share							
Common Stock, par value	05/15/2008	<u>S<sup>(1)</sup></u>	423	D	\$ 73.86	3,492	D
\$.01 per share							
Common Stock, par value	05/15/2008	<u>S<sup>(1)</sup></u>	77	D	\$ 73.87	3,415	D
\$.01 per share							

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share								
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	05/15/2008	<u>S</u> (1)	300	D	\$ 73.89	3,115		D
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	05/15/2008	<u>S</u> (1)	700	D	\$ 73.9	2,415		D
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	05/15/2008	<u>S</u> (1)	500	D	\$ 73.94	1,915		D
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	05/15/2008	<u>S</u> (1)	615	D	\$ 73.95	1,300		D
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	05/15/2008	<u>S</u> (1)	200	D	\$ 74	1,100		D
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	05/15/2008	<u>S</u> (1)	100	D	\$ 74.102	1,000		D
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	05/15/2008	<u>S</u> (1)	600	D	\$ 74.13	400		D
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	05/15/2008	<u>S</u> (1)	400	D	\$ 74.14	0		D
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share						296.402		I
								Held by the reporting person's Amazon.com 401(k) plan



## 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) This transaction was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.

(2) Converts into Common Stock on a one-for one basis.

25% of this award was vested at the time the reporting person filed their Form 3, and subject to the reporting person's continued employment with the issuer, will vest and convert into shares of common stock of the issuer at the rate of 7.50% on November 15, 2006 and an additional 7.50% for each 3-month period thereafter through February 15, 2009.

Subject to the reporting person's continued employment with the issuer and the satisfaction of certain business criteria intended to qualify the award as tax-deductible compensation under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code, this award vests and converts into shares of common stock at the rate of 10.00% on November 15, 2006, 5.87% on May 15, 2007, 5.83% on August 15, 2007 and an additional 5.83% for each 3-month period thereafter through February 15, 2008, 8.33% on May 15, 2008 and an additional 8.33% for each 3-month period thereafter through February 15, 2010.

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