**Trout James** Form 4 May 05, 2008

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Trout James | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Digital Realty Trust, Inc. [DLR] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  |  |  |  |
|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle)                               | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction  | (Check all applicable)  |  |  |  |
| 560 MISSION STREET, SUITE 2900                        | (Month/Day/Year)<br>05/01/2008   | Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Sr. VP, Portfolio & Tech Ops          |  |  |  |
| (Street)  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                         | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check<br>Applicable Line)<br>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person |  |  |  |
| SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105                               |  | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |  |  |  |

| (City)                               | (State) (                               | Zip) Table  | e I - Non-D                             | erivative S   | Secur            | ities Acqu  | uired, Disposed of   | f, or Beneficial  | ly Owned  |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|------------------|-------------|--|---|---|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |                  |             | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following | 6.<br>Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|                                      |   |   | Code V                                  | Amount  | (A)<br>or<br>(D) | Price       | Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)                   | (Instr. 4)  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 05/01/2008                              |   | M(1)                                    | 194   | A                | <u>(2)</u>  | 194  | D   |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 05/01/2008                              |   | S(5)                                    | 194   | D                | \$<br>38.59 | 0  | D   |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 05/02/2008                              |   | M(6)                                    | 1,437   | D                | <u>(2)</u>  | 1,437  | D   |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 05/02/2008                              |   | S(5)                                    | 1,437   | D                | \$<br>39.55 | 0  | 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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number omf Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |            | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                    | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |  |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|------------|--|--------------------|---|--|
|   |   |                                      |   | Code V                                 | (A) (E   | <b>)</b> ) | Date<br>Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
| Long-Term Incentive Units (1) (2)                   | <u>(3)</u>  | 05/01/2008                           |   | M <u>(1)</u>                           | 19   | 94         | <u>(2)</u>   | <u>(4)</u>         | Common<br>Stock   | 194                                    |
| Long-Term<br>Incentive<br>Units (2) (6)             | <u>(3)</u>  | 05/02/2008                           |   | M(6)                                   | 1,4  | 37         | (2)  | <u>(4)</u>         | Common<br>Stock   | 1,437                                  |

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

**Trout James** 

560 MISSION STREET, SUITE 2900 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105 Sr. VP, Portfolio & Tech Ops

## **Signatures**

/s/ Barbara Polster, attorney-in-fact 05/05/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Dat

## **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).
  - In accordance with the terms of a Trading Plan (SEC Rule 10b5-1 Securities Exchange Act of 1934) established on March 17, 2008,
- (1) L.P., a Maryland Limited Partnership (the "Operating Partnership"), and subsequently redeemed the 194 Common Units for 194 shares of the common stock of Digital Realty Trust, Inc. (the "Issuer"), all in accordance with the requirements of the Limited Partnership Agreement of the Operating Partnership.

James Trout converted 194 long-term incentive units into common limited partnership units ("Common Units") of Digital Realty Trust,

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Long-term incentive units are profits interest units in the Operating Partnership. Vested profits interest units may be converted into an equal number of Common Units in the Operating Partnership on a one-for-one basis at any time. Common Units are redeemable for cash

- (2) based on the fair market value of an equivalent number of shares of the Issuer's common stock, or, at the election of the Issuer, for an equal number of shares of the Issuer's common stock, subject to adjustment in the event of stock splits, stock dividends, issuance of stock rights, specified extraordinary distributions or similar events.
- (**3**) 1 for 1.
- (4) N/A.
- (5) Common Stock sold in accordance with the terms of a Trading Plan (SEC Rule 10b5-1 Securities Exchange Act of 1934) established on March 17, 2008.

In accordance with the terms of a Trading Plan (SEC Rule 10b5-1 - Securities Exchange Act of 1934) established on March 17, 2008, James Trout converted 1,437 long-term incentive units into common limited partnership units ("Common Units") of Digital Realty Trust,

(6) L.P., a Maryland Limited Partnership (the "Operating Partnership"), and subsequently redeemed the 1,437 Common Units for 1,437 shares of the common stock of Digital Realty Trust, Inc. (the "Issuer"), all in accordance with the requirements of the Limited Partnership Agreement of the Operating Partnership.

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