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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Â Crecca Michelle M

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

07/21/2008

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP [WBS]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner

☒ Officer ___ Other
(give title below) (specify below)

EVP-Consumer Lending

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person

___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

C/O WEBSTER FINANCIAL
CORP,Â 145 BANK STREET

(Street)

WATERBURY,Â CTÂ 06702

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect (I)
(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 5)

Common Stock

4,788

D

Â

Common Stock

165

I

401(k) plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Title of Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date
(Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 5)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option	12/19/2007 ⁽¹⁾	12/19/2016	Common Stock	4,877	\$ 48.88	D	Â
Stock Option	12/18/2008 ⁽¹⁾	12/18/2017	Common Stock	8,032	\$ 32.03	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Crecca Michelle M C/O WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP 145 BANK STREET WATERBURY,Â CTÂ 06702	Â	Â	Â EVP-Consumer Lending	Â

Signatures

Renee P. Seefried by Power of Attorney

07/22/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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(1) 4 yr. incremental vesting - 25% vests each year for 4 years.

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