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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading McKessy Sean X. Issuer Symbol ALTRIA GROUP, INC. [MO] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner __Other (specify X_ Officer (give title 6601 WEST BROAD STREET 10/03/2008 below) Corporate Secretary (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting RICHMOND, VA 23230 Person

(City)	(State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owner							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D) 5) Price	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)
Common Stock	10/03/2008		F	274 (1)	D	\$ 20.515 (2)	9,406 (3)	D	
Common Stock							103	I (4)	DPS

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer 10% Owner Other Director

McKessy Sean X. 6601 WEST BROAD STREET RICHMOND, VA 23230

Corporate Secretary

Signatures

Sean X. 10/07/2008 McKessy

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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) Shares withheld to satisfy taxes on the vesting of Restricted Stock.
- (2) The average of the high and low price of Altria Group, Inc. common stock on October 3, 2008.
- (3) Includes 950 shares of Restricted Stock and 7,920 shares of Deferred Stock.
- (4) Shares held in the Altria Deferred Profit Sharing Plan as of September 30, 2008.

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