Nelson John R. Form 4 January 27, 2012

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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Ownership

(Instr. 4)

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Nelson John R.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ALTRIA GROUP, INC. [MO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/25/2012

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

below) **EVP & Chief Technology Officer**

6601 WEST BROAD STREET

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

3.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

RICHMOND, VA 23230

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect (I) Owned Following (Instr. 4) Reported

D

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

4. Securities Acquired

Common 01/25/2012 Stock

34,200 A A \$0 454,242 (2) (1)

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)

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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
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Nelson John R.

6601 WEST BROAD STREET EVP & Chief Technology Officer

RICHMOND, VA 23230

Signatures

W. Hildebrandt Surgner, Jr. for John R. 01/27/2012 Nelson

**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) Restricted Stock awarded in accordance with the terms of the Issuer's equity compensation plans.
 - Includes 252,250 shares of Restricted Stock. Total also includes 1,431 shares held jointly with wife in the Altria Employee Stock
- (2) Purchase Plan, including 79 shares acquired through the reinvestment of dividends since February 11, 2011, the date of the last reportable transaction

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