POTLATCH CORP
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] RIORDAN MICHAEL T	2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol POTLATCH CORP [PCH]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Last)　　(First)　　(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/07/2007	(Check all applicable) __X__ Director　　_____ 10% Owner _____ Officer (give title　_____ Other (specify below)　　　　　　　below)
601 WEST FIRST AVE., SUITE 1600		
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
SPOKANE, WA 99201		
(City)　　(State)　　(Zip)		

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	(A) or (D)	Price			

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 Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)

(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Units	$ 47.2 [(1)]	12/07/2007		A		1,377.119 [(2)]		[(3)]	[(3)]	Common Stock	1,377.119

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RIORDAN MICHAEL T 601 WEST FIRST AVE. SUITE 1600 SPOKANE, WA 99201	X			

Signatures

Pamela Mull,, Attorney-in-Fact	12/07/2007
**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)   Phantom stock units are credited to the reporting person's account on the transaction date in accordance with the provisions of the Potlatch Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors II and will be converted to cash and paid on a 1-for-1 basis with the issuer's common stock.

(2)   The phantom stock units acquired represent an annual equity compensation award approved by the issuer's Board of Directors and granted to the reporting person. The number of phantom stock units was determined by dividing the closing price of the issuer's common stock on the transaction date into the reporting person's award amount.

(3)   The phantom stock units become payable in cash upon the reporting person's termination of service as a director of Potlatch Corporation.

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