

LUSK JOHN M
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
LUSK JOHN M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC
[BEN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/23/2012

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP-Investment Management

C/O FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC., ONE FRANKLIN PARKWAY

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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SAN MATEO, CA 94403-1906

(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			
Common Stock, par value \$.10	08/23/2012		M	4,714 (1) A \$ 46.56 (1)	37,813.8501 (2)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10	08/23/2012		S	4,714 D \$ 118.2938 (3)	33,099.8501 (2)	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10					438.943 (4)	I	By 401(k)

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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 (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 46.56 (1)	08/23/2012		M	4,714 (1)	09/30/2004 11/11/2013	Common Stock, par value \$.10	4,714 (1)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LUSK JOHN M C/O FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC. ONE FRANKLIN PARKWAY SAN MATEO, CA 94403-1906			EVP-Investment Management	

Signatures

/s/ John M. Lusk 08/23/2012

**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) Reflects adjustment in connection with the special cash dividend paid by Franklin Resources, Inc. on December 30, 2011.
- (2) Of the amount of securities beneficially owned, 12,200 shares represent unvested awards of restricted stock.
- (3) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$118.17 to 118.32, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set

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forth in this footnote.

- (4) Reporting person holds shares in the Franklin Templeton 401(k) Retirement Plan. Information is based on a plan statement as of July 13, 2012.
- (5) Not Applicable.

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