

WORLD ACCEPTANCE CORP  
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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 * SAUZA FRANCISCO J (Last) (First) (Middle)  3817 BYRNWYCK PLACE NE (Street)  ATLANTA, GA 30319 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 05/22/2008	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WORLD ACCEPTANCE CORP [WRLD]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) Senior Vice President, Mexico	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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**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, no par value	3,807	D	∆
Common stock, no par value	1,000	I	shares held in 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 Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock options, right to buy	11/09/2006	11/09/2015	common	800	\$ 28.29	D	Â
Stock options, right to buy	11/09/2007	11/09/2015	common	800	\$ 28.29	D	Â
Stock options, right to buy	11/09/2008	11/09/2015	common	800	\$ 28.29	D	Â
Stock options, right to buy	11/09/2009	11/09/2015	common	800	\$ 28.29	D	Â
Stock options, right to buy	11/09/2010	11/09/2015	common	800	\$ 28.29	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SAUZA FRANCISCO J 3817 BYRNWYCK PLACE NE ATLANTA, GA 30319	Â	Â	Â Senior Vice President, Mexico	Â

## Signatures

Francisco J. Sauza 05/22/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

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

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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