

Ersek Hikmet
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Ersek Hikmet

(Last) (First) (Middle)

THE WESTERN UNION
COMPANY, 12500 EAST
BELFORD AVENUE

(Street)

ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

Western Union CO [WU]

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

08/27/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired 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 Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	08/27/2008		M ⁽¹⁾	50,000	A \$ 15.65	100,552	D
Common Stock	08/27/2008		S ⁽¹⁾	50,000	D \$ 28 (2)	50,552	D

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 (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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.65	08/27/2008		M ⁽¹⁾	50,000	⁽³⁾ 01/22/2013	Common Stock 50,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Ersek Hikmet THE WESTERN UNION COMPANY 12500 EAST BELFORD AVENUE ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112	EVP-EU/Mid Eas/Afri/SA

Signatures

Sarah J. Kilgore, As Attorney-in-Fact for Hikmet Ersek 08/29/2008

____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) The transactions reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on July 30, 2008.

(2) The reporting person has reported the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of prices for the reported transactions is \$27.99 to \$28.03. The reporting person will provide, upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

(3) The option vested in 25% installments on January 22, 2004 and 2005, and the remaining 50% was vested on December 22, 2005.

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