Kessel Steven Form 4 November 17, 2011

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

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may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Kessel Steven Symbol AMAZON COM INC [AMZN]

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

P.O. BOX 81226 11/15/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer (give title Other (specify 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

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| (City)   | (State)                              | (Zip) Tab   | le I - Non-l | Derivative                       | Secu | rities A   | cquired, Dispose   | ed of, or Bene  | ficially Owned |
|--|--------------------------------------|---|--------------|----------------------------------|------|--|--|---|----------------|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)             | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if any Code Disposed of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4) |              | (A) or l of (D) 4 and 5)  (A) or |      | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |                |
| Common<br>Stock, par<br>value \$.01<br>per share | 11/15/2011                           |   | Code V  M    | Amount 5,000                     | (D)  | \$ 0   | 5,000  | D   |                |
| Common<br>Stock, par<br>value \$.01<br>per share | 11/15/2011                           |   | M            | 2,000                            | A    | \$ 0   | 7,000  | D   |                |
| Common<br>Stock, par<br>value \$.01<br>per share | 11/15/2011                           |   | S <u>(1)</u> | 3,500                            | D    | \$<br>218  | 3,500  | D   |                |

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| Common<br>Stock, par<br>value \$.01<br>per share                                    | 399.433                   | I | reporting person's Amazon.com 401(k) plan account |
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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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | onof Derivative |       | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, |                    | iomf Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4, |                                       | nsaction Derivative de Securities str. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, |  | 6. Date Exercisab<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year |  | 7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and | Securities |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|-----------------|-------|--|--------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|------------|
|   |   |                                      |   | Code V                                 | (A)             | (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amoun<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |  |   |  |   |            |
| Restricted<br>Stock Unit<br>Award                   | \$ 0 <u>(2)</u>   | 11/15/2011                           |   | M                                      |                 | 5,000 | 05/15/2011(3)  | 02/15/2014         | Common<br>Stock, par<br>value<br>\$.01 per<br>share  | 5,000                                 |   |  |   |  |   |            |
| Restricted<br>Stock Unit<br>Award                   | \$ 0 (2)  | 11/15/2011                           |   | M                                      |                 | 2,000 | 05/15/2011(4)  | 02/15/2016         | Common<br>Stock, par<br>value<br>\$.01 per<br>share  | 2,000                                 |   |  |   |  |   |            |

## **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |           |                       |       |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| . 0                            | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer               | Other |  |  |  |
| Kessel Steven                  |               |           |                       |       |  |  |  |
| P.O. BOX 81226                 |               |           | Senior Vice President |       |  |  |  |
| SEATTLE WA 98108-1226          |               |           |                       |       |  |  |  |

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### **Signatures**

/s/ Steven Kessel, Senior Vice President

11/16/2011

\*\*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) This transaction was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- (2) Converts into Common Stock on a one-for-one basis.
- This award vests based upon the following vesting schedule and the satisfaction of certain business criteria intended to qualify the award as tax-deductible compensation under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code: 5,000 shares on each of May 15, 2011, August 15, 2012, August 15, 2012, November 15, 2012, and 3,750 shares on each of May 15, 2012, August 15, 2012, November 15, 2012, and 3,750 shares on each of May 15, 2012, August 15, 2012, November 15, 2012, November 15, 2012, August 15, 2012, August
- 2011, November 15, 2011 and February 15, 2012 and 3,750 shares on each of May 15, 2012, August 15, 2012, November 15, 2012, February 15, 2013, May 15, 2013, August 15, 2013, November 15, 2013 and February 15, 2014.
  - This award vests based upon the following vesting schedule and the satisfaction of certain business criteria intended to qualify the award as tax-deductible compensation under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code: 2,000 shares on each of May 15, 2011, August 15,
- (4) 2011, November 15, 2011, February 15, 2012, May 15, 2012, August 15, 2012, November 15, 2012, February 15, 2013, May 15, 2013, August 15, 2013, November 15, 2013, February 15, 2014, May 15, 2014, August 15, 2014, November 15, 2014, February 15, 2015, May 15, 2015, August 15, 2015, November 15, 2015 and February 15, 2016.

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