UST INC Form 4 January 08, 2009

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN 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(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **ROSSI RONALD**

(Middle)

C/O UST INC., 6 HIGH RIDGE PARK, BLDG. A

(First)

(Street)

STAMFORD, CT 06905

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

UST INC [UST]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/06/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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_X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

below)

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

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(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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/06/2009		D	26,545 (1)	D	\$ 69.5	0	D	
Common Stock	01/06/2009		D	2,750	D	\$ 69.5	0	I	By Spouse

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)		ive Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. D So (I
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 53.075	01/06/2009		D	1	1,285	08/16/2005	02/15/2015	Common Stock	1,285	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
ROSSI RONALD C/O UST INC. 6 HIGH RIDGE PARK, BLDG. A STAMFORD, CT 06905	X					

Signatures

Lorna R. Simms, by Power of Attorney 01/08/2009

**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) Includes a total of 225 shares held in the UST Dividend Reinvestment Plan and 666 Phantom shares resulting from dividend reinvestment under a deferred compensation plan as of this date.
- (2) The option was canceled on January 6, 2009 under the terms of the plan in exchange for a cash payment representing the excess of \$69.50 over the option's exercise price of \$53.075 per share.

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