

Shaughnessy Timothy S
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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 *
 Shaughnessy Timothy S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP [IBM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 IBM CORPORATION, 294 ROUTE 100
 (Street)
 SOMERS, NY 10589
 (City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/08/2012
 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Senior Vice President
 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/08/2012		M	468 A \$ 0	2,688.734	I ⁽¹⁾	spouse
Common Stock	05/08/2012		F	167 D \$ 201.38	2,521.734	I ⁽¹⁾	spouse
Common Stock					13,275.978	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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Unit	\$ 0 ⁽²⁾	05/08/2012		A ⁽³⁾		9		⁽⁴⁾	⁽⁴⁾	Common Stock	9	\$ 0
Phantom Stock Unit	\$ 0 ⁽²⁾	05/08/2012		A ⁽³⁾		2		⁽⁴⁾	⁽⁴⁾	Common Stock	2	\$ 0
Rst. Stock Unit	\$ 0 ⁽⁵⁾	05/08/2012		M ⁽⁶⁾		468		⁽⁵⁾	⁽⁵⁾	Common Stock	468	\$ 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Shaughnessy Timothy S IBM CORPORATION 294 ROUTE 100 SOMERS, NY 10589			Senior Vice President	

Signatures

D. Cummins on behalf of T. S. Shaughnessy
 05/09/2012
 **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).

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The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

- (2) Phantom stock units convert to the cash value of the company's common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (3) Acquisition of phantom stock units under the IBM Excess 401(k) Plus Plan.
- (4) Distribution of phantom stock units under the IBM Excess 401(k) Plus Plan is deferred until separation from the company. The reporting person may transfer these phantom stock units into an alternative investment account under such plan.
- (5) These units are payable in cash or the company's common stock upon the lapse of the restrictions on the transaction date shown.
- (6) Release of restricted stock units.

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