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#### INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Benson, David C.			Date of Event Requiring     Statement (Month/Day/Year)     08/27/2008	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION FANNIE MAE [FNM]		
(Last) c/o Fannie Mae 3900 Wisconsin		(Middle)				
(Street Address) Washington	DC	20016		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)  Director  X Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		EVP - Capital Mkts & Treasury	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)      X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Common Stock	56,437	D			
Common Stock	477.604	l	By ESOP		

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 a (Month/Day/Year)	nd Expiration Date	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Securities: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	]	(Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	06/03/2002 <sup>(1)</sup>	06/03/2012	Common Stock	20,080	\$79.325	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	01/23/2004	01/18/2010	Common Stock	2,408	\$69.43	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	01/23/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/23/2014	Common Stock	12,223	\$78.315	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	01/21/2004 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/21/2013	Common Stock	9,624	\$69.43	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	06/03/2003 <sup>(2)</sup>	06/03/2012	Common Stock	12,000	\$79.325	D	

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### **Signatures**

David C. Benson	09/08/2008	
**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).
- (1) The option was exercisable upon grant with respect to 3,860 shares; the balance vested as follows: 9,080 shares on 8/31/02, 4,370 on 1/31/03, 1,610 on 1/31/04 and 1,160 on 1/31/05.
- (2) The option became exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on the date indicated.

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