

Mills E Nelson
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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 *
Mills E Nelson

(Last) (First) (Middle)
275 DICKERSON ROAD
(Street)
MARIETTA, GA 30067
(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Wells Timberland REIT, Inc. [N/A]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/13/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	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	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. P... Der... Sec... (Ins
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Derivative Security	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			Code	V	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
	(A)	(D)	Date						
Options	\$ 10	08/13/2008		P		08/13/2008	08/13/2018	Common Stock	333
Options	\$ 10	08/13/2008		P		08/13/2009	08/13/2018	Common Stock	333
Options	\$ 10	08/13/2008		P		08/13/2010	08/13/2018	Common Stock	334

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Mills E Nelson 275 DICKERSON ROAD MARIETTA, GA 30067	X			

Signatures

Douglas P. Williams,
Attorney-in-Fact

10/20/2008

**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) Represents total options issued as of 8/13/2008, including 2,500 options granted upon initially becoming an independent director of Wells Timberland REIT, Inc.

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