

WASHINGTON MUTUAL, INC  
Form 8-K  
March 14, 2007

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): March 8, 2007

**WASHINGTON MUTUAL, INC.**  
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Washington**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-14667**  
(Commission File Number)

**91-1653725**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**1301 SECOND AVENUE,  
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98101**  
(Address of principal executive offices and Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (206) 461-2000

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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**SECTION 5 – CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.**

Effective March 8, 2007, Washington Mutual, Inc. (the "Company") announced that John Woods, Senior Vice President and Controller, changed roles and joined the Company's Home Loans Division, assuming the role of division Chief Financial Officer. Also effective March 8, 2007, Melissa Ballenger, was promoted to Controller of the Company. In her new role, Ms. Ballenger will report directly to Thomas Casey, the Company's Chief Financial Officer.

