

JMP Group Inc.
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Johnson Craig R

(Last) (First) (Middle)
600 MONTGOMERY STREET,
SUITE 1100
(Street)

SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
JMP Group Inc. [JMP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/16/2007

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)
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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 05/16/2007 | | J ⁽¹⁾ | V Amount 806,782 (A) or (D) A | Price \$ 0 (1) 806,782 | I | By Trust (2) |

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)

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| 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. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 10 | 05/16/2007 | | J ⁽³⁾ | 94,720 | ⁽⁴⁾ 12/20/2015 | Common Stock | 94,720 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Johnson Craig R 600 MONTGOMERY STREET, SUITE 1100 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111 | X | | President | |

Signatures

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| /s/ Janet Tarkoff on behalf of Craig R. Johnson | 05/18/2007 |
| __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) The shares of common stock were acquired in a transaction exempt from Section 16(b) pursuant to a Reorganization and Exchange Agreement, dated May 16, 2007, whereby JMP Group Inc. became the successor to JMP Group LLC.
- (2) Held by the Johnson Revocable Trust, UAD 07/2/97.
- (3) Represents previously issued options of JMP Group LLC that were converted into options to purchase common stock of JMP Group Inc. in connection with the Reorganization and Exchange Agreement, dated May 16, 2007.
- (4) The options vest over four years with 1/4 of the shares of underlying common stock vesting on each anniversary of the grant date of 12/21/2005.
- (5) Mr. Johnson also holds 42,500 Restricted Stock Units.

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