PICO HOLDINGS INC /NEW

Form 4

August 21, 2008

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Washington, D.C. 20549

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may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

HART JOHN R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

PICO HOLDINGS INC /NEW [PICO]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 08/08/2008

875 PROSPECT STREET, SUITE 301

(Street)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

LA JOLLA, CA 92037-4264

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

_X__ Director 10% Owner

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Issuer

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Ownership (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) or Indirect (Instr. 4) Following Reported (I) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V (D) Price Amount

P 19.2078 COMMON 08/08/2008

20,625.1789

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	7. Title a Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 a	of ng s	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	umber		

Reporting Owners

Director 10% Owner Officer Other HART JOHN R	Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
		Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
875 PROSPECT STREET X President and CEO LA JOLLA, CA 92037-4264	375 PROSPECT STREET SUITE 301	X		President and CEO					

Signatures

John R. Hart by James F. Mosier per Power of Attorney dated January 28, 2008.

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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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