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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Cole Royal

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(City)

(Middle)

Western Union CO [WU]

(Check all applicable)

12500 EAST BELFORD AVENUE

(First)

(State)

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

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

09/29/2006

below) EVP & Gen. Man. Payment Serv.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Street)

(Zip)

Applicable Line)

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

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Person

ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) (D)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Common 09/29/2006 Stock

Code V Amount 20,440 A (1)

A \$0 24,116 (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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.13	09/29/2006		A	147,925	(3)	09/29/2016	Common Stock	147,92
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.65	09/29/2006		A	49,398 (<u>4)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	12/03/2011	Common Stock	49,398
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.77	09/29/2006		A	43,910 (<u>4)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	02/06/2012	Common Stock	43,910
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.65	09/29/2006		A	43,800 (4)	<u>(5)</u>	01/22/2013	Common Stock	43,800
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.78	09/29/2006		A	32,932 (<u>4)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	02/12/2014	Common Stock	32,932
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.78	09/29/2006		A	32,932 (<u>4)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	02/12/2014	Common Stock	32,932
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.07	09/29/2006		A	32,932 (<u>4)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	12/08/2014	Common Stock	32,932
Employee Stock Option	\$ 20.01	09/29/2006		A	54,887 (4)	<u>(6)</u>	02/08/2016	Common Stock	54,887

(Right to Buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Cole Royal 12500 EAST BELFORD AVENUE ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112

EVP & Gen. Man. Payment Serv.

Signatures

/s/ Sarah J. Kilgore as Attorney-in-Fact for Royal W. Cole

10/03/2006

**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) Restricted stock award which vests in full, if the executive is still employed by the Company at the time, on the third anniversary of the date of grant.
- (2) Includes 284 shares acquired pursuant to The Western Union Company Employee Stock Purchase Plan and 3,392 shares acquired in connection with the distribution by First Data Corporation of shares of common stock of The Western Union Company.
- (3) This option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on September 29, 2007.
- Represents option acquired by reporting person as a result of the adjustment of an option to purchase shares of First Data Corporation common stock held by the reporting person. This adjustment occurred pursuant to the terms of the Employee Matters Agreement, dated September 29, 2006, between The Western Union Company and First Data Corporation.
- (5) This option is presently exercisable in full.
- (6) This option vests in four equal installments beginning on February 8, 2007.

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