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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 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> VAN NESS W DENMAN			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol XOMA LTD /DE/ [XOMA]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)X Director 10% Owner					
C/O XON	·	(First) 2910 SEVENTH		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (N 02/21/2008			on (Month/Da	ay/Year)		Officer (give title below)			(specify below)		
(Street) BERKELEY, CA 94710				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) 02/25/2008						_X_	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting PersonForm filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City) (State) (Zip)			(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqu						s Acquired	ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yea		Execution Date, if		Date, if C		8) (A	Securities Acqual or Disposed on the construction (A) or (B) (A) or (C)	of (D) Own Tran	Owned Following I Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		ecurities Beneficially ng Reported		Nature Indirect eneficial wnership nstr. 4)		
Reminder: F	Report on a se	parate line for each		- Deriva	tive	Securities	Acqı	Persons in this for a currer uired, Dispo	s who respond orm are not reality valid OME sed of, or Beneality	equired to B control n ficially Own	respond u umber.				74 (9-02)
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	nversion Date Exercise (Month/Day/Year) ce of rivative		4. Transaction Code		5. Number of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Non- Qualified Share Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.71	02/21/2008(1)		A		125,000		(1)	02/21/2018	Commor Shares	125,000	\$ 0	125,000	D	

## **Reporting Owners**

D 41 0 V 4	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
VAN NESS W DENMAN C/O XOMA LTD. 2910 SEVENTH STREET BERKELEY, CA 94710	X						

# **Signatures**

By: Christopher J. Margolin For: W. Denman Van Ness	05/14/2008
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) Grant of option was subject to shareholder approval, which was granted at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders held May 13, 2008.

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