

CORRECTIONS CORP OF AMERICA  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 FERGUSON JOHN D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 CORRECTIONS CORP OF AMERICA [CXW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 10 BURTON HILLS BOULEVARD  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/20/2008

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 President and CEO

NASHVILLE, TN 37215  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| CWX<br>Common<br>Stock          | 02/20/2008                           |  | A <sup>(1)</sup>               | 26,020 A  | \$ 0 175,798 <sup>(2)</sup>   | D  |   |
| CXW<br>Common<br>Stock          |                                      |  |                                |   | 561,166   | I  | By<br>Ferguson<br>Revocable<br>Living<br>Trust        |

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)

| 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) |                  |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|------------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title            | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 26.71   | 02/20/2008                           |  | A <sup>(3)</sup>               | 90,143  | 02/20/2009   | 02/20/2018  | CXW Common Stock | 90,143                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                      | Relationships |           |                   |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |
| FERGUSON JOHN D<br>10 BURTON HILLS BOULEVARD<br>NASHVILLE, TN 37215 | X             |           | President and CEO |       |

## Signatures

Scott L. Craddock 02/22/2008

\_\_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 restricted shares subject to vesting over a three-year period based upon satisfaction of certain performance criteria for the fiscal years ending December 31, 2008, 2009 and 2010. No more than one third of such shares may vest in the first performance period; however, the performance criteria are cumulative for the three-year period and are subject to accelerated vesting upon certain events (death, disability or certain "change in control" events).
  - (2) Includes 3,390 shares beneficially owned through the company's 401(k) plan, as updated to reflect the most recent plan statement.
  - (3) Grant of options to purchase up to the number of shares listed, with vesting to occur in equal increments over a three-year period on the anniversary dates of the grant.

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