

METLIFE INC
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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 *
TOPPETA WILLIAM J

(Last) (First) (Middle)
200 PARK AVENUE
(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10166

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
METLIFE INC [MET]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/21/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)

President, International

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 03/21/2011 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | 7,335 | A | \$ 30.35 |
| Common Stock | 03/21/2011 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 7,335 | D | \$ 44.64 |
| Common Stock | | | | | 344 | I | |

By the
MetLife
Policyholder
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)

| 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|-----------------|---|----------------------------|
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 30.35 | 03/21/2011 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | 7,335 | ⁽³⁾ | 02/18/2012 | Common Stock | 7,335 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| TOPPETA WILLIAM J 200 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10166 | | | President, International | |

Signatures

Richard S. Collins, authorized signer
03/22/2011
 **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 option exercise and the sale of shares associated with the exercise reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Sales Plan adopted by the reporting person on August 6, 2010.
- (2) Shares held in trust under the MetLife Policyholder Trust established to hold shares of Common Stock allocated to eligible policyholders of Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of MetLife, Inc.
- (3) The option vested in three equal installments on February 19, 2003, 2004, and 2005

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