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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FRIEDMAN NEIL			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MATTEL INC /DE/ [MAT]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	, , ,			
MATTEL, INC., 333 CONTINENTAL BLVD.			(Month/Day/Year) 10/18/2008	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) President, Mattel Brands			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)			
EL SEGUNDO,, CA 90245				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed	of (D)	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)
Common stock	10/18/2008		M	25,757	A	<u>(1)</u>	53,637	D	
Common stock	10/18/2008		F	11,458 (2)	D	\$ 14.45	42,179	D	
Common stock							3,464 <u>(3)</u>	I	In 401(k)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)		8 I S (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	10/18/2008		M	25,757	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common stock	25,757	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FRIEDMAN NEIL MATTEL, INC. 333 CONTINENTAL BLVD. EL SEGUNDO,, CA 90245

President, Mattel Brands

Signatures

/s/ Neil B. 10/21/2008 Friedman

**Signature of Date
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).
- As reported on a Form 4 dated as of and filed on October 18, 2005, the reporting person received a grant of 25,000 Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs" or Units") on October 18, 2005 pursuant to the Mattel, Inc. 2005 Equity Compensation Plan. On October 18, 2008, 100% of these RSUs vested, along with 757 additional Units the reporting person received pursuant to dividend equivalent rights, resulting in the issuance of 25,757 shares of Mattel common stock.
- Pursuant to the terms of the October 18, 2005 RSU grant, 11,458 shares of Mattel common stock were automatically withheld at vesting to cover required tax withholding.
- As of October 19, 2008, Mr. Friedman had a balance of \$50,060 in the Mattel Stock Fund of Mattel's 401(k) plan, the Personal (3) Investment Plan ("PIP"). The assets in the Mattel Stock Fund include cash amounts as well as shares of Mattel common stock. The number of shares has been calculated by the plan administrator for the PIP.

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