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REPORTING OWNER

JOHNSON GREGORY E

CIK: **1010262**

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ISSUER

FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC

CIK: **38777** | IRS No.: **132670991** | State of Incorporation: **DE** | Fiscal Year End: **0930**

SIC: **6282** Investment advice

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person JOHNSON GREGORY E			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FRANKLIN RESOURCES INC [BEN]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) CEO and President		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/03/2011					
C/O FRANKLIN RESOURCES, INC., ONE FRANKLIN PARKWAY			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(Street) SAN MATEO, CA 94403-1906								
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

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	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock, par value \$.10	10/12/2011		G	V	175	D	\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾	589,396	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10	11/03/2011		A		68,801	A	\$106.83	658,197 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10	11/03/2011		A		3,631	A ⁽³⁾	\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾	661,828 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.10								19,566 ⁽⁴⁾	I	As a Trustee for Minor Child
Common Stock, par value \$.10								1,471,214 ⁽⁵⁾	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock, par value \$.10								895,000	I	By Limited Partnership
Common Stock, par value \$.10								5,085 ⁽⁶⁾	I	By Spouse
Common Stock, par value \$.10								2,700	I	By Trust ⁽⁷⁾

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	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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				of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)
Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Not applicable.
2. Of the amount of securities beneficially owned, 101,943 shares represent unvested restricted stock awards (excluding the unvested restricted stock units scheduled to vest on December 1, 2011 as reported in Footnote 3).
3. On November 4, 2009 and November 2, 2010, the Reporting Person was granted certain restricted stock units subject to vesting over a three-year period based upon satisfaction of certain performance criteria. On November 3, 2011, the Issuer's Compensation Committee certified that certain performance criteria with respect to the Issuer's fiscal year ended September 30, 2011 were achieved, and therefore the amount of shares reported in Column 4 are scheduled to vest on December 1, 2011.
4. Shares are held by the Reporting Person as trustee for the Reporting Person's minor children. The Reporting Person disclaims any beneficial ownership of such shares.
5. Reporting person holds shares in the Franklin Templeton 401(k) Retirement Plan. Information is based on a plan summary as of September 30, 2011.
6. Shares are held by a member of the Reporting Person's immediate family. The Reporting Person disclaims any beneficial ownership of such shares.
7. Business trust for the benefit of the Reporting Person and the Reporting Person's children.

Signatures

MARIA GRAY, ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

** Signature of Reporting Person

11/07/2011

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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