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

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(Print or Type Responses)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * NEFF PETER J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol UST INC [UST]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
C/O UST INC., 6 HIGH RIDGE PARK, BLDG. A		RIDGE	(Month/Day/Year) 01/06/2009	X Director 10% Own Officer (give title below) Other (specially)		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
STAMFORI	D, CT 06905		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price			of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/06/2009		D	15,516 (1)	` ′	\$ 69.5	0	D	
Common Stock	01/06/2009		D	3,470	D	\$ 69.5	0	I	Neff Limited Partnership

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

(Zip)

(State)

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Table I. Non Darivative Securities Assured Disposed of an Paneficially Ov

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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 on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. D Si (I
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 40.07	01/06/2009		D		1,500	11/08/2002	05/07/2012	Common Stock	1,500	\$				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.5	01/06/2009		D		1,500	11/07/2003	05/06/2013	Common Stock	1,500	\$				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.595	01/06/2009		D		1,500	11/05/2004	05/04/2014	Common Stock	1,500	\$				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 53.075	01/06/2009		D		1,285	08/16/2005	02/15/2015	Common Stock	1,285	\$				

Reporting Owners

**Signature of Reporting Person

Attorney

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
NEFF PETER J C/O UST INC. 6 HIGH RIDGE PARK, BLDG. A STAMFORD, CT 06905	X						
Signatures							
Lorna R. Simms, by Power of		01/08/2000					

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01/08/2009

Date

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- * 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) Includes a total of 159 shares held in the UST Dividend Reinvestment Plan and 666 Phantom shares resulting from dividend reinvestment under a deferred compensation plan as of this date.
- The option was canceled on January 6, 2009 under the terms of the plan in exchange for a cash payment representing the excess of \$69.50 over the option's exercise price of \$40.07 per share.
- (3) The option was canceled on January 6, 2009 under the terms of the plan in exchange for a cash payment representing the excess of \$69.50 over the option's exercise price of \$31.50 per share.
- The option was canceled on January 6, 2009 under the terms of the plan in exchange for a cash payment representing the excess of \$69.50 over the option's exercise price of \$37.595 per share.
- (5) The option was canceled on January 6, 2009 under the terms of the plan in exchange for a cash payment representing the excess of \$69.50 over the option's exercise price of \$53.075 per share.

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