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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Ty	pe Response	s)											1					
Name and Address of Reporting Person * Finnerty Kevin J				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEWCASTLE INVESTMENT CORP [NCT]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner								
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, 46TH FLOOR				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/23/2008						Office	r (give title belo	ow)	Other (spec	eify belo	w)			
(Street)				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person								
NEW YORK, NY 10105 (City) (State) (Zip)				Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned														
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)			Date		Exectany	Deemed cution Date, if	3 C (1	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)				uired of (D)	5. Amour Beneficia Reported	ant of Securities ally Owned Following d Transaction(s)		6. Ownership Form:	hip of Bo	Beneficial
					(Mon	Month/Day/Year)		Code	V	Amour	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 a	nd 4)		Direct (or Indirect) (I) (Instr. 4	ect (In	Ownership Instr. 4)
Common \$0.01 per	Stock, pa	r value	05/23/	/2008				A <sup>(1)</sup>		1,503	A	\$ 0 (1)	203,896			D		
				Table II - D				Acquire	the f	orm di	splays a of, or Ben	curre eficia	ently valid	OMB con	spond unle trol numbe			
Security	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/	Year) Ex	3A. Deemed Execution Dates	4. te, if Transaction Code Year) (Instr. 8)		5. Nu of De Sec Ac (A) Dis of (In	5. Number		· /		7. T Am Und Sec	Title and ount of derlying urities str. 3 and	Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction( (Instr. 4)	Owr Form Deri Secu Dire or Ir	vative rity: ct (D) direct	Beneficial Ownersh (Instr. 4)
						Code V	(A	(D)	Date Exer	cisable	Expiration Date	n Titl	or Number of Shares					
Repor	ting O	wners																

	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Finnerty Kevin J 1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS 46TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10105	X					

# **Signatures**

/s/ Kevin J. Finnerty	07/25/2008				
**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) Shares were issued to director as compensation for services provided to the issuer pursuant to the terms of the issuer's Nonqualified Stock Option and Incentive Award Plan.

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