FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* DREXLER MILLARD S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>J CREW GROUP INC</u> [JCG]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
				X Director X 10% Owner					
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)					
C/O J. CREW GROUP, INC.			05/13/2008	Chief Executive Officer					
770 BROADV	1								
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
NEW YORK	NY	10003		X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Table 1- Non-Derivative Decurrices Acquirea, Disposed of, or Derivitiany Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr.					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01	05/13/2008		G	v	10,000	D	(1)	1,495,458 ⁽²⁾	I	By GRAT	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01	05/13/2008		G	v	10,000	A	(1)	3,083,878 ⁽³⁾	Ι	By Trust	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01								1,000,000 ⁽⁴⁾	I	By 2008 GRAT	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01								238,739 ⁽⁵⁾	D		

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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De Se	Title of rivative curity str. 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. Transa Code (8)		of Deriv	or bosed D) r. 3, 4		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 Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. N/A - On May 13, 2008 these shares were transferred from a grantor retained annuity trust (the "GRAT") to The Drexler Family Revocable Trust (the "Trust"). Mr. Drexler and his wife are trustees of the GRAT and the Trust.

2. These shares are owned by the GRAT for which Mr. Drexler and his wife are trustees.

3. These shares are owned by the Trust for which Mr. Drexler and his wife are trustees.

4. These shares are owned by the 2008 GRAT for which Mr. Drexler and his wife are trustees.

5. Includes 238,739 restricted shares of Common Stock, granted under an equity incentive plan of the issuer, of which 72,592 shares will vest on 11/1/08; 58,073 shares vest on 8/8/08; 58,074 shares vest on 8/8/09; and, subject to the issuer's satisfaction of certain performance criteria over a three year period commencing on May 15, 2007, 25,000 shares will vest on each of 5/15/11 and 5/15/12.

Remarks:

Arlene S. Hong is signing on behalf of Millard Drexler pursuant to an authorization and designation letter previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

<u>/s/ Arlene S. Hong, pursuant to</u> <u>a power of attorney filed with</u> 05/15/2008

the Commission

** Signature of Reporting Person 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).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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