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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Dillon Veronica (Last) (First) (Middle) THE WASHINGTON POST COMPANY					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WASHINGTON POST CO [WPO] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/05/2009									Check all D V C	ship of Reporting applicable) irector fficer (give title elow) Sr. VP, Second	1 (.0% C Other elow)	wner (specify	
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Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Class B shares awarded as restricted stock under incentive plan.
- 2. N/A

<u>Veronica Dillon</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

01/05/2009

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