

## PIONEER MUNICIPAL &amp; EQUITY INCOME TRUST

Form 4

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1(b).

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

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**LIPSON ARTHUR D**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O WESTERN INVESTMENT  
LLC, 7050 SOUTH UNION PARK  
CENTER, SUITE 590**

(Street)

**MIDVALE, UT 84047**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

**PIONEER MUNICIPAL & EQUITY  
INCOME TRUST [[PBF]]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)

01/07/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)

☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**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	(D)	Price

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

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

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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 of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Equity Swap (obligation to purchase)	\$ 13.84	01/07/2008		P/K <sup>(1)</sup>		1,000 <u>(1)</u>		01/07/2008	05/05/2008	Common Stock, no par value	1,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
LIPSON ARTHUR D C/O WESTERN INVESTMENT LLC 7050 SOUTH UNION PARK CENTER, SUITE 590 MIDVALE, UT 84047	X

## Signatures

By: /s/ Arthur D.  
Lipson

01/08/2008

\_\_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) On January 7, 2008, Western Investment Activism Partners LLC (WIAP) and a securities broker (Broker) amended the cash settled equity swap contract originally entered into on May 29, 2007 between Broker and WIAP so as to add a notional 1,000 shares of common stock of the Issuer to the equity notional amount of the shares subject to the equity swap. By the terms of the equity swap: (i) WIAP will be obligated to pay to Broker the equity notional amount of the shares subject to the equity swap (Reference Shares) as of the beginning of the valuation period (which resets monthly), plus interest, and (ii) Broker will be obligated to pay to WIAP the market value of the Reference Shares as of the end of the valuation period. Any dividends received by Broker on the Reference Shares during the term of the equity swap will be paid to WIAP. All balances will be cash settled and there will be no transfer to WIAP of voting or dispositive power over the Reference Shares.
- (2) Following the January 7, 2008 amendment to the cash settled equity swap contract, there is an aggregate of 1,094,400 shares of common stock underlying the equity swap contract between WIAP and Broker.
- (3) For purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the Rules promulgated thereunder, as the sole managing member of Western Investment LLC (Western) which in turn is the managing member of WIAP, Mr. Lipson may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of common stock underlying the equity swap. Each of Mr. Lipson, Western and WIAP disclaims such

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beneficial ownership except to the extent of his or its pecuniary interest therein, if any.

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