

CRESCENDO PARTNERS II LP  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**ROSENFELD ERIC**  
  
(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
C/O CRESCENDO PARTNERS II,  
L.P., 825 THIRD AVENUE, 40TH  
FLOOR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**MOTHERS WORK INC [MWRK]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
11/20/2008

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

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

(Street)  
  
NEW YORK, NY 10022

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

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

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	V	Amount				(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	11/20/2008		P			2,136	A	\$ 6.87	598,895	I <sup>(1)</sup>	By Crescendo Partners II, L.P., Series K <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	11/21/2008		P			10,701	A	\$ 6.2944	609,596	I <sup>(1)</sup>	By Crescendo Partners II, L.P., Series K <sup>(2)</sup>
									84,623	I	

Common  
Stock,  
\$0.01 par  
value

Crescendo  
Partners  
III, L.P. <sup>(3)</sup>

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)

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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ROSENFELD ERIC C/O CRESCENDO PARTNERS II, L.P. 825 THIRD AVENUE, 40TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022		X		
CRESCENDO INVESTMENTS II LLC 825 THIRD AVENUE 40TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022				See Explanation of Responses
CRESCENDO INVESTMENTS III LLC 825 THIRD AVENUE 40TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022				See Explanation of Responses
CRESCENDO PARTNERS II LP 825 THIRD AVENUE				See Explanation of Responses

40TH FLOOR  
NEW YORK, NY 10022

CRESCENDO PARTNERS III LP  
825 THIRD AVENUE  
40TH FLOOR  
NEW YORK, NY 10022

See Explanation of Responses

## Signatures

By: /s/ Eric Rosenfeld	11/24/2008
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
By: Crescendo Investments II, LLC, By: /s/ Eric Rosenfeld, Managing Member	11/24/2008
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
By: Crescendo Investments III, LLC, By: /s/ Eric Rosenfeld, Managing Member	11/24/2008
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
By: Crescendo Partners II, L.P., Series K, By: Crescendo Investments II, LLC, General Partner, By: /s/ Eric Rosenfeld, Managing Member	11/24/2008
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
By: Crescendo Partners III, L.P., By: Crescendo Investments III, LLC, General Partner, By: /s/ Eric Rosenfeld, Managing Member	11/24/2008
__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).

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