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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and A Adams Jimi	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol L 3 COMMUNICATIONS HOLDINGS INC [LLL]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
	C/O L-3 COMMUNICATIONS (CORPORATION, 600 THIRD				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/20/2009				Director 10% Owner Selfow) Other (specify below) SEE REMARKS			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
NEW YORK, NY 10016 (City) (State) (Zip)				Filed(Month/Day/Year) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acq					Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea	r) Execution	med on Date, if Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Form: Direct Beneficial (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	08/20/2009			M	10	0,000	A	\$ 72.2	24,791 (1) (2)	D		
Common Stock	08/20/2009			S	10),000	D	\$ 74.21	14,791 (1) (2)	D		

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	onDerivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)))	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
08/02/06 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 72.2	08/20/2009		M	10,0	000	<u>(4)</u>	08/02/2016	Common Stock	10,000

SEE

REMARKS

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
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C/O L-3 COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION 600 THIRD AVENUE

NEW YORK, NY 10016

Signatures

/s/ Allen E. Danzig as 08/24/2009 Attorney-in-Fact

**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) Does not include shares issuable upon the exercise of options.
- Reflects additional shares acquired through the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan and Master Savings (401(k)) Plan and grants of Restricted Stock Units.
- Represents weighted average selling price of 53 transactions executed on the same date within a range of \$74.15 and \$74.30. The (3) reporting person undertakes to provide L-3 Communications Holdings, Inc. ("L-3"), any security holder of L-3, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth herein.
- (4) This option vests annually in equal one-third increments beginning on the one-year anniversary of the grant date.

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Remarks:

Senior Vice President of Washington Operations

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