

Butler David T III
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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 *
Butler David T III

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)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/02/2010

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
SVP of Business Operations

C/O L-3 COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION, 600 THIRD AVENUE

(Street)

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

NEW YORK, NY 10016

(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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price (A) or (D) | | |
| Common Stock | 02/02/2010 | | M | | 25,000 A \$ 68.16 | 32,264 ⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾ | D |
| Common Stock | 02/02/2010 | | S | | 25,000 D \$ 87 ⁽³⁾ | 7,264 ⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾ | D |
| Common Stock | 02/02/2010 | | M | | 17,250 A \$ 72.2 | 24,514 ⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾ | D |
| Common Stock | 02/02/2010 | | S | | 17,250 D \$ 86.96 ⁽⁴⁾ | 7,264 ⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾ | D |

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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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 11/10/04 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 68.16 | 02/02/2010 | | M | 25,000 | (5) 11/10/2014 | Common Stock | 25,000 |
| 08/02/06 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 72.2 | 02/02/2010 | | M | 17,250 | (5) 08/02/2016 | Common Stock | 17,250 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Butler David T III
C/O L-3 COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION
600 THIRD AVENUE
NEW YORK, NY 10016

SVP of Business Operations

Signatures

/s/ Allen E. Danzig as
Attorney-in-Fact

02/04/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) Does not include shares issuable upon the exercise of options.
- (2) Reflects additional shares acquired through the Company's Master Savings (401(k)) Plan and grants of Restricted Stock Units.
- (3) Represents weighted average selling price of 20 transactions executed on the same date within a range of \$86.86 and \$87.12.
- (4) Represents weighted average selling price of 8 transactions executed on the same date within a range of \$86.92 and \$86.99.
- (5) This option vests annually in equal one-third increments beginning on the one-year anniversary of the grant date.

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