

MEDIA GENERAL INC  
Form 4  
August 01, 2005

# FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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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 \*  
DICKINSON STEPHEN Y

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
(Street)  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
MEDIA GENERAL INC [MEG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
07/29/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)  
  
 Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
 10% Owner  
 Other (specify below)  
 Controller

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 Reported (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 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)

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of	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
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr. 5)						
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 0	07/29/2005	A		5		<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Class A Common Stock	5	\$ 0

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DICKINSON STEPHEN Y			Controller	

## Signatures

/s/ Stephen Y. Dickinson, by George L. Mahoney,  
Attorney-in-fact

08/01/2005

\*\*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) Units acquired under Company deferred compensation plan, final balance of which is distributed upon employee's termination of service.
- (2) Upon retirement, employee has several options as to the timing and form of payout.
- (3) Additionally, 16,246 non-derivative Class A common shares are held directly.

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