#### MAHONEY GEORGE L

Form 4

January 30, 2012

## FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and A MAHONEY                | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol |               |                                 |  |   | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  |         |  |   |   |  |  |
|--------------------------------------|---|---------------|---------------------------------|--|---|---|---------|--|---|---|--|--|
|                                      |   |               | MEDIA GENERAL INC [MEG]         |  |   |   |         | (Check all applicable)   |   |   |  |  |
| (Last)                               | (First)                                     | Middle)       | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction |  |   |   |         |  |   |   |  |  |
| 333 EAST F                           | (Month/Day/Year)<br>01/26/2012              |               |                                 |  |   | Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)  VP, Growth and Performance |         |  |   |   |  |  |
|                                      |   |               |                                 | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |   |   |         |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person |   |  |  |
| RICHMON                              | D, VA 23219                                 |               |                                 |  |   |   |         | Form filed by Person   | More than One Re  | eporting  |  |  |
| (City)                               | (State)                                     | (Zip)         | Table                           | e I - Non-D  | erivative S                                       | Securit   | ies Acc | quired, Disposed o   | of, or Beneficial   | lly Owned   |  |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Dat<br>(Month/Day/Year)      | Execution any | med<br>on Date, if<br>Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8)              | 4. Securit<br>on(A) or Dis<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 | sposed  | of      | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4)                              | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |  |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock           | 01/26/2012                                  |               |                                 | A  | 27,100<br>(1)                                     | A   | \$0     | 82,062   | D   |   |  |  |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock           |   |               |                                 |  |   |   |         | 14,378   | I   | 401(k)  |  |  |

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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of or 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) |                                     |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                 | (A) (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable                                      | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
| Employee<br>Stock<br>Option<br>(right to<br>buy)    | \$ 4.98   | 01/26/2012                              |   | A                                      | 18,100   | <u>(2)</u>   | 01/26/2022         | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock                                    | 18,100                              |

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MAHONEY GEORGE L 333 EAST FRANKLIN ST RICHMOND, VA 23219

VP, Growth and Performance

## **Signatures**

/s/ George L. Mahoney, by Andrew C. Carington, Attorney-in-fact

01/30/2012

\*\*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).
- Performance Accelerated Restricted Stock granted under the 1997 Employee Restricted Stock Plan which vests over a ten-year period. If certain pre-established earnings targets are achieved (as defined in the plan) vesting may accelerate to either a three, five, or seven year period.
- Options granted under 1996 Non-qualified Stock Option Plan, which become exercisable 1/3 per year on January 26, 2013, 2014, and 2015.

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