

SCHAFER CHARLES J
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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 *
 SCHAFER CHARLES J

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/23/2010

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 See Remarks

(Street)
 NEW YORK, NY 10016

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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	02/23/2010		A	1,996 (1) A \$ 0	13,574 (2)	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2010		A	1,808 (3) A \$ 0	15,382 (2)	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2010		F	655 (4) D \$ 0	14,727 (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. 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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
02/23/10 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 90.18	02/23/2010		A	12,987	⁽⁵⁾ 02/23/2020	Common Stock 12,987

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SCHAFER CHARLES J C/O L-3 COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION 600 THIRD AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10016				See Remarks

Signatures

/s/ Allen E. Danzig as Attorney-in-Fact
Date: 02/25/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Grant of shares of restricted stock units which vest on the three year anniversary of the grant date.
- (2) Reflects additional shares acquired through the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan and Master Savings (401(k)) Plan and grants of Restricted Stock Units.
- (3) Represents the vesting of performance units settled in common stock.
- (4) Represents the number of common shares surrendered to pay applicable tax withholding on the performance units.
- (5) This option vests annually in equal one-third increments beginning on the one-year anniversary of the grant date.

Remarks:

Name: Charles J. Schafer

Title: Senior Vice President of President of Products Group

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