

Brunson Curtis  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
Brunson Curtis

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)  
02/22/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
See Remarks

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V Amount (A) or (D) Price   |   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 02/22/2012                           |  | A                              | 8,519 (1) A \$ 0  | 58,888 (2)  | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 02/22/2012                           |  | A                              | 5,330 (3) A \$ 0  | 64,218 (2)  | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 02/22/2012                           |  | F                              | 2,150 (4) D \$ 0  | 62,068 (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                              |
| 02/22/12<br>Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 70.43   | 02/22/2012                           |  | A                              | 53,144  | <u>(5)</u> 02/22/2022                                    | Common Stock 53,144   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |             |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other       |
| Brunson Curtis<br>C/O L-3 COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION<br>600 THIRD AVENUE<br>NEW YORK, NY 10016 |               |           |         | See Remarks |

## Signatures

/s/ Allen E. Danzig as Attorney-in-Fact  
Date: 02/24/2012

\*\*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).
- (1) Grant 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.
- (3) Represents additional shares acquired through the vesting of performance units settled in common stock.
- (4) Represents the number of common shares surrendered to pay applicable tax withholdings upon vesting of the performance units.
- (5) This options vests annually in equal one-third increments beginning on the one-year anniversary of the grant date.

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**Remarks:**

Executive Vice President of Corporate Strategy and Development

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