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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **CHERNIN PETER** Issuer Symbol NEWS CORP [NWS] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O NEWS AMERICA 05/15/2006 below) **INCORPORATED, 1211 AVENUE** President and COO OF THE AMERICAS (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting NEW YORK, NY 10036

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	any	xecution Date, if	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie opr Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	(A) or))	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A Common Stock	05/15/2006		Code V M	Amount 250,000	(D)	Price \$ 11.66 <u>(1)</u>	259,065	D	
Class A Common Stock	05/15/2006		S	250,000	D	\$ 18.49	9,065	D	

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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 orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		0)		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
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.66 (1)	05/15/2006		M		250,000	<u>(2)</u>	10/28/2006	Class A Common Stock	250,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CHERNIN PETER C/O NEWS AMERICA INCORPORATED 1211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10036	X		President and COO				

Signatures

/s/ Laura O'Leary as Attorney-in-Fact for Peter
Chernin 05/17/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) Reported in Australian dollars. The exercise price was equivalent to US\$9.02.
- (2) The stock option vested in four equal, annual installments of the original grant beginning on 10/28/1997.

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