

STRIANESE MICHAEL T
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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 *
STRIANESE MICHAEL T

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)
02/22/2012

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
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(Street)
NEW YORK, NY 10016

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V | Amount (A) or (D) Price | | |
| Common Stock | 02/22/2012 | | A | | 39,401 (1) \$ 0 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/22/2012 | | A | | 33,314 (3) \$ 0 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/22/2012 | | F | | 13,928 (4) \$ 0 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/23/2012 | | S | | 10,000 (6) \$ 70.1272 | D | |

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|--------------|------------|---|--------|---|---------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Common Stock | 02/23/2012 | M | 31,000 | A | \$ 35.95 | 227,610 ⁽⁵⁾ | D |
| Common Stock | 02/23/2012 | S | 31,000 | D | \$ 70.0198 ⁽⁷⁾ | 196,610 ⁽⁵⁾ | 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) |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| 03/04/03 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 35.95 | 02/23/2012 | | M | 31,000 | ⁽⁸⁾ 03/04/2013 | Common Stock 31,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| STRIANESE MICHAEL T C/O L-3 COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION 600 THIRD AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10016 | X | | 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 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 withholding upon vesting of the performance units.
- (5) Does not include shares issuable upon the exercise of options.
Represents weighted average sale price for price increments ranging from \$70.08 to \$70.17. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide, upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (6) Represents weighted average sale price for price increments ranging from \$70.00 to \$70.08. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide, upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (7) This option vests annually in equal one-third increments beginning on the one-year anniversary of the grant date.
- (8)

Remarks:

Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

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