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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Discovery Communications, Inc.

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Hollinger Mark G

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

ONE DISCOVERY PLACE

(Street)

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

10/01/2008

Symbol

[DISAD]

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) below)

Chief Operating Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

SILVER SPRING, MD 20910

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. TransactionAcquired (A) or Code

(Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

(A)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

5. Amount of

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) (Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and Expiration

(Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 an

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) Disposed of (I (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	O)		
				Code V	(A) (I	D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
DAP Unit (stock appreciation right) (1)	\$ 25.95	10/01/2008		A	239,073	10/01/2008(2)	10/01/2011	Series A Common Stock
DAP Unit (stock appreciation right) (3)	\$ 14.41	10/01/2008		A	298,056	12/05/2007(4)	12/05/2010	Series A Common Stock
DAP Unit (stock appreciation right) (5)	\$ 13.23	10/01/2008		A	709,012	10/01/2006 <u>(6)</u>	10/01/2009	Series A Common Stock
DAP Unit (stock appreciation right) (7)	\$ 10.48	10/01/2008		A	7,057	(8)	10/01/2008	Series A Common Stock
Stock Appreciation Right (9)	\$ 14.53	10/01/2008		A	269,749	03/15/2009	03/15/2010	Series A Common Stock
Stock Appreciation Right (9)	\$ 14.53	10/01/2008		A	269,750	03/15/2010	03/15/2010(10)	Series A Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships s						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Hollinger Mark G ONE DISCOVERY PLACE SILVER SPRING, MD 20910			Chief Operating Officer				
Signatures							
/s/ Joseph A. LaSala, Jr., by po attorney	wer of		10/03/2008				
**Signature of Reporting Perso	n		Date				

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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).
- Received in exchange for 199,999 DAP Units over shares of Discovery Holding Company ("DHC") Series A common stock at an original beginning unit value of \$31.01, in connection with the merger of DHC with a wholly-owned subsidiary of the company (the "Merger"). Under the terms of the DAP Plan, the conversion of outstanding DAP units could not be calculated until 10 trading days of the company's Series A common stock had passed.
- (2) DAP Units vest in four equal annual installments beginning October 1, 2008. On each vesting date, the vested DAP Units are automatically cashed out.
- Received in exchange for 250,000 DAP Units over shares of DHC Series A common stock at an original beginning unit value of \$17.22, in connection with the Merger. Under the terms of the DAP Plan, the conversion of outstanding DAP units could not be calculated until 10 trading days of the company's Series A common stock had passed.
- (4) DAP Units vest in four equal annual installments beginning December 5, 2007. On each vesting date, the vested DAP Units are automatically cashed out.
- Received in exchange for 594,094 DAP Units over shares of DHC Series A common stock at an original beginning unit value of \$15.81, in connection with the Merger. Under the terms of the DAP Plan, the conversion of outstanding DAP units could not be calculated until 10 trading days of the company's Series A common stock had passed.
- (6) DAP Units vest in four equal annual installments beginning October 1, 2006. On each vesting date, the vested DAP Units are automatically cashed out.
 - Received in exchange for 5,907 DAP Units over shares of DHC Series A common stock at an original beginning unit value of \$12.52,
- in connection with the Merger. Under the terms of the DAP Plan, the conversion of outstanding DAP units could not be calculated until 10 trading days of the company's Series A common stock had passed.
- (8) All outstanding DAP Units vest and become payable on October 1, 2008.
- (9) The Stock Appreciation Right may only be settled in cash.
- (10) The Stock Appreciation Right will be automatically exercised for the recipient on March 15, 2010.

Remarks:

The trading symbols for the Issuer's Series A, Series B and Series C common stock are, respectively, DISAD, DISBD and DIS Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.