

SCHAFER CHARLES J  
 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 \*  
 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)  
 \_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Sr. VP - Business Operations

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 C/O L-3 COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION, 600 THIRD AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/17/2006

(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  
 \_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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                    | 02/17/2006                           |  | M                              | 5,833 A \$ 39.7   | 8,738 <sup>(1)</sup>  | D  |  |
| Common Stock                    | 02/17/2006                           |  | S                              | 5,833 D \$ 83.42 <sup>(2)</sup>                                   | 2,905 <sup>(1)</sup>  | D  |  |
| Common Stock                    | 02/22/2006                           |  | M                              | 25,167 A \$ 39.7  | 28,072 <sup>(3)</sup>   | D  |  |
| Common Stock                    | 02/22/2006                           |  | M                              | 33,333 A \$ 35.6  | 61,405 <sup>(4)</sup>   | D  |  |

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Common Stock      02/22/2006      S      58,500      D      \$ 83.14      2,905 <sup>(4)</sup>      D      (5)

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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| 11/15/01 Stock Option                      | \$ 39.7  | 02/17/2006                           |  | M                              | 5,833   | <u>(6)</u> 11/15/2011                                    | Common Stock  | 5,833                         |
| 11/15/01 Stock Option                      | \$ 39.7  | 02/22/2006                           |  | M                              | 25,167  | <u>(6)</u> 11/15/2011                                    | Common Stock  | 25,167                        |
| 3/4/03 Stock Option                        | \$ 35.6  | 02/22/2006                           |  | M                              | 33,333  | <u>(7)</u> 03/04/2013                                    | Common Stock  | 33,333                        |

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

SCHAFFER CHARLES J  
C/O L-3 COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION  
600 THIRD AVENUE  
NEW YORK, NY 10016

Sr. VP - Business Operations

## Signatures

/s/ Christopher C. Cambria      02/17/2006

Date

\_\_Signature of Reporting  
Person

## 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) Does not include options held as of February 17, 2006 to purchase 85,167 shares of common stock, which options are exercisable within 60 days of February 17, 2006.
- (2) Represents weighted average selling price of 5 transactions executed on the same date.
- (3) Does not include options held as of February 22, 2006 to purchase 60,000 shares of common stock, which options are exercisable within 60 days of February 22, 2006.
- (4) Does not include options held as of February 22, 2006 to purchase 26,667 shares of common stock, which options are exercisable within 60 days of February 22, 2006.
- (5) Represents weighted average selling price of 50 transactions executed on the same date.
- (6) On November 15, 2001, Mr. Schafer was granted an option to purchase 36,000 shares of common stock, which option vested over a 3-year period in increments of 12,000 shares of common stock per year.
- (7) On March 4, 2003, Mr. Schafer was granted an option to purchase 50,000 shares of common stock, which option vested over a 3-year period in increments of 16,667 shares of common stock per year.

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