

SCHAFER CHARLES J
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/26/2010

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

(Street)
 NEW YORK, NY 10016

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	04/26/2010		M	24,081	A \$ 68.16	38,887 (1) (2)	D
Common Stock	04/26/2010		M	20,000	A \$ 72.2	58,887 (1) (2)	D
Common Stock	04/26/2010		S	44,081	D \$ 96.21 (3)	14,806 (1) (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)	Amount or Number of Shares
11/10/04 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 68.16	04/26/2010		M	24,081	⁽⁴⁾ 11/10/2014	Common Stock	24,081
08/02/06 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 72.2	04/26/2010		M	20,000	⁽⁴⁾ 08/02/2016	Common Stock	20,000

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				See Remarks

Signatures

/s/ Allen E. Danzig as Attorney-in-Fact
Date: 04/28/2010

**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) Does not include shares issuable upon the exercise of options.
 - (2) Reflects additional shares acquired through the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan and Master Savings (401(k)) Plan, grants of Restricted Stock Units, and grants of Performance Units settled in Common Stock.
 - (3) Represents weighted average selling price of 428 transactions executed on the same date within a range of \$96.01 and \$96.50.
 - (4) This option vests annually in equal one-third increments beginning on the one-year anniversary of the grant date.

Remarks:

Senior Vice President and President of Products Group

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