JOHNSON JOEL W Form 4 November 06, 2009

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SECURITIES

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * JOHNSON JOEL W

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

MEREDITH CORP [MDP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 11/05/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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Person

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

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

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

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

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

(A)

or

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common

Stock (\$1 par value) 7,439

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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number on f 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 Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|--------------------|--|---------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amo or Num of Sh |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 28.24 | 11/05/2009 | | A | 6,000 | 11/05/2010 | 11/05/2019 | Common Stock (\$1 par value) | 6,0 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 18.56 | | | | | 11/06/2009 | 11/06/2018 | Common Stock (\$1 par value) | 6,0 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 31.5 | | | | | 11/14/2001 | 11/14/2010 | Common Stock (\$1 par value) | 6,0 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 34.6 | | | | | 11/13/2002 | 11/13/2011 | Common Stock (\$1 par value) | 6,0 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 36.7188 (<u>3)</u> | | | | | 11/09/2000 | 11/09/2009 | Common Stock (\$1 par value) | 6,0 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 45.275 | | | | | 11/12/2003 | 11/12/2012 | Common Stock (\$1 par value) | 6,0 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 49.75 | | | | | 11/11/2004 | 11/11/2013 | Common Stock (\$1 par value) | 6,0 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 50.28 | | | | | 11/09/2006 | 11/09/2015 | Common Stock (\$1 par value) | 6,0 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 51.975 | | | | | 11/09/2005 | 11/09/2014 | Common Stock (\$1 par value) | 6,0 |

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| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 52.87 | 11/09/2007 | 11/09/2016 | Common Stock (\$1 par value) | 6,0 |
|---|----------|------------|------------|------------------------------------|-----|
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 59.98 | 11/08/2008 | 11/08/2017 | Common Stock (\$1 par value) | 6,0 |
| Stock equivalent units | \$ 0 | 08/08/1988 | 08/08/1988 | Common Stock (\$1 par value) | 19, |

Reporting Owners

DES MOINES, IA 50309-3023

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | |
| JOHNSON JOEL W | | | | | |
| 1716 LOCUST STREET | X | | | | |

Signatures

By: Teresa T. Rinker, by Power of Attorney For: Joel W.

Johnson

11/06/2009

**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) This option was awarded pursuant to the Meredith Corp. 2004 Stock Incentive Plan, becomes exercisable one-third per year over a three-year period beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date, and expires on the tenth anniversary of the grant date.
- (2) This option was awarded pursuant to the Meredith Corp. Stock Plan for Non-employee Directors, becomes exercisable one-third per year over a three-year period beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date, and expires on the tenth anniversary of the grant date.
- (3) Nonqualified stock option award has reached or shortly will reach expiration date without having been exercised.
- Stock equivalents issued pursuant to Meredith Corp.'s 2002 Stock Plan for Non-employee Directors (the "Plan"), which will be converted to Common Stock (\$1 par value) on a one-for-one basis upon the reporting person's retirement from or termination of service on the Meredith Board of Directors. Quarterly dividends are accrued in the form of additional stock equivalents. Data in this footnote would normally appear in the Title, Exercisable Date, and Price columns.

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