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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

|   |         |                                      |  |  |
|---|---------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * |         | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol                         |  |
| Whitaker Thomas A                         |         | (Month/Day/Year)                     | SHENANDOAH TELECOMMUNICATIONS CO/VA/ [SHEN]                                |  |
| (Last)                                    | (First) | 06/22/2010                           |  |  |
| PO BOX 459                                |         |                                      | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer                           | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                   |
| (Street)                                  |         |                                      | (Check all applicable)   |  |
| EDINBURG, VA 22824                        |         |                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner       | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)             |
| (City)                                    | (State) | (Zip)                                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
|   |         |                                      | (give title below) (specify below)   | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |
|   |         |                                      | VP-Wireless & Cable Operations   |  |

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned<br>(Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Common                             | 1,273  | 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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|
|   | Date Exercisable  | Expiration Date  | Title  | Amount or Number of  |  |

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|                        |               |            |        | Shares |          | (I)<br>(Instr. 5) |   |
|------------------------|---------------|------------|--------|--------|----------|-------------------|---|
| Performance Shares     | Â (2)         | 09/17/2015 | Common | 1,027  | \$ (1)   | D                 | Â |
| Incentive Stock Option | 02/16/2010(3) | 02/16/2016 | Common | 3,132  | \$ 25.26 | D                 | Â |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                        | Relationships |           |                                  |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                          | Other |
| Whitaker Thomas A<br>PO BOX 459<br>EDINBURG, VA 22824 | Â             | Â         | Â VP-Wireless & Cable Operations | Â     |

## Signatures

Thomas A  
Whitaker

06/22/2010

\*\*Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

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Vesting is subject to market and time-based conditions, both of which must be met for vesting to occur. The time-based condition requires that a recipient must remain in the continuous employment of the Company or one of its Affiliates until the date upon which the

- (2) Performance Shares vest. All of the shares will fully vest on September 17, 2012, 2013, 2014 or 2015 if the average closing price for the common stock for the 30 day period ending on the day prior to such date is greater than or equal to \$28.70, \$30.34, \$31.98, and \$33.62 respectively. If the Performance Shares do not vest on or prior to September 17, 2015 they will be forfeited.

- (3) The option vests 1/5 on each the first, second, third, fourth and fifth anniversary.

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