SMITH TIMOTHY T

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SMITH TIMOTHY T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol ARBITRON INC [ARB]

(First) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

9705 PATUXENT WOODS DRIVE

02/28/2012

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) EVP, Bus. Dev. & Strat. & GC

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Middle)

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

(Instr. 8)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

COLUMBIA, MD 21046

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3.

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

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

Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Following

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Common Stock

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

02/28/2012

4,017 A (1)

\$0 61,206

D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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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 of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed o (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day)	Pate	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)	\$ 33.87	02/28/2012		A	22,032	(2)	02/28/2022	Common Stock	22,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
. 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SMITH TIMOTHY T			EVP, Bus.				
9705 PATUXENT WOODS DRIVE			Dev. &				
COLUMBIA, MD 21046			Strat. & GC				

Signatures

/s/ Timothy T. 03/01/2012 Smith **Signature of Date 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).

On February 8, 2011, the reporting person was granted performance-based restricted stock units, which contain a one-year performance criteria and vest in four equal annual installments commencing on the first anniversary of the date of grant provided that the performance

- criteria is met. On February 24, 2012, Arbitron Inc. filed its 2011 Form 10-K. On February 28, the Compensation and Human Resources Committee determined that the performance criteria had been met, resulting in one-quarter of the performance-based restricted stock units vesting on February 8, 2012. The award will continue to vest in equal annual installments on February 8, 2013, February 8, 2014, and February 8, 2015, based on continued employment.
- (2) Represents stock options that will vest in three equal installments commencing on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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