

DICKINSON STEPHEN Y  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 DICKINSON STEPHEN Y

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 MEDIA GENERAL INC [MEG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 333 EAST FRANKLIN ST  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 08/14/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Vice President and CAO

RICHMOND, VA 23219

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

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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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code V Amount (D) Price   |  |   |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|--|---|---------------------------------|
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| (Instr. 3)       | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) | (Instr. 5) |     |                     |                    |                            |  |     |
|------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|---|------------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--|-----|
|                  |                                    |                  | Code       | V   | (A)        | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title                      | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |     |
|                  |                                    |                  |            |   |            |     |                     |                    | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock |  |     |
| Phantom<br>Stock | (1)                                | 08/14/2009       | A          |   | 17         |     | (2)                 | (2)                |                            | 17                                     | (1) |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                    | Relationships |           |                        |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                | Other |
| DICKINSON STEPHEN Y<br>333 EAST FRANKLIN ST<br>RICHMOND, VA 23219 |               |           | Vice President and CAO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Stephen Y. Dickinson, by George L. Mahoney,  
Attorney-in-fact

08/17/2009

\*\*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) Units acquired under the Company's Supplemental 401(k) deferred compensation plan. Each unit is the economic equivalent of one share of Class A common stock.
- (2) Units are payable in cash following termination of the reporting person's employment. Upon attaining age 55, the reporting person may transfer the units into an alternative investment account at any time.
- (3) Additionally, 22,995 non-derivative Class A common shares are held directly.

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