### LASALA JOSEPH A JR

Form 4 March 04, 2009

## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**SECURITIES** Form 4 or Form 5 obligations

may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

LASALA JOSEPH A JR

(Middle)

(First)

ONE DISCOVERY PLACE

(Street)

(State)

3.

SILVER SPRING, MD 20910

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

Discovery Communications, Inc. [DISCA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/02/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) below) SEVP Gen. Counsel; Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

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

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

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

4. Securities

Code V Amount (D) Price

5. Amount of Owned

Securities Beneficially Following Reported

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

Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

(A)

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of

Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative Security or Exercise any Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amo Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of Derivative

Security

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of

> (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) (D)

Date Exercisable Expiration

Date

Title

**DAP Unit** 

(stock appreciation

right)

\$ 20.86 03/02/2009 M

53,831 (1)

02/15/2009(2) 02/15/2012 Common

Series A

Stock

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or Nu of S

**Reporting Owners** 

Reporting Owner Name / Address

**Relationships** 

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LASALA JOSEPH A JR ONE DISCOVERY PLACE SILVER SPRING, MD 20910

SEVP Gen. Counsel; Secretary

Signatures

/s/ Joseph A. LaSala, Jr.

03/04/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting

Date

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).
- No amounts were payable in respect of these DAP Units because the beginning unit value of \$20.86 per Unit exceeded the ending unit **(1)** value.
- These DAP Units vest in four equal annual installments beginning February 15, 2009. On each vesting date, the vested DAP Units are **(2)** automatically cashed out.

#### **Remarks:**

The trading symbols for the Issuer's Series A, Series B and Series C common stock are, respectively, DISCA, DISCB and DIS Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays

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