

HENDRICKS JOHN S
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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 *
HENDRICKS JOHN S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Discovery Communications, Inc. [DISCA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
ONE DISCOVERY PLACE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
10/14/2011

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

SILVER SPRING, MD 20910

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Series A Common Stock	10/14/2011 ⁽¹⁾		M		\$ 25.95	2,245,021	D
Series A Common Stock	10/14/2011 ⁽¹⁾		D		\$ 39.43	1,747,950	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 Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
DAP Unit (Stock Appreciation Right)	\$ 25.95	10/14/2011		M	497,071	10/01/2008 ⁽²⁾ 10/01/2011	Series A Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HENDRICKS JOHN S ONE DISCOVERY PLACE SILVER SPRING, MD 20910	X		Founder	

Signatures

/s/ Bruce Campbell, by power of attorney

10/18/2011

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).
The DAP Units in respect of these shares of stock vested and became payable on October 1, 2011. Under the terms of the DAP, however,
(1) the amounts payable in respect of the vested units are calculated based on the average closing prices for the 10 trading days preceding and including the vesting date and the 10 trading days after the vesting date.
(2) These DAP Units vested in four equal annual installments beginning October 1, 2008. On each vesting date, the vested DAP Units were automatically settled in cash only.

Remarks:

The trading symbols for the Issuer's Series A, Series B and Series C common stock are, respectively, DISCA, DISCB and DISC.

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