SALERNO FREDERIC V
Form 4
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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SALERNO FREDERIC V

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1515 BROADWAY

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10036

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
VIACOM INC [VIA, VIAB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/01/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (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 (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	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	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price o Derivativ Security (Instr. 5)

	Derivative Security			Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)								
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Class A Common Stock Units	$ 0 (1)	01/01/2005		A		829		(1)	(1)	Class A common stock	829	$ 37.0
Phantom Class B Common Stock Units	$ 0 (1)	01/01/2005		A		846		(1)	(1)	Class B common stock	846	$ 36.3

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SALERNO FREDERIC V 1515 BROADWAY NEW YORK, NY 10036	X			

Signatures

By: /s/ Michael D. Fricklas, Attorney-in-Fact	01/04/2005
**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) Reporting Person has elected to defer payment of Board retainer and fees pursuant to Viacom's deferred compensation arragement for directors. Deferred amounts (including any cash dividends credited during the previous quarter) are deemed invested quarterly in the number of Phantom Common Stock Units equal to the number of shares of Class A and Class B Common Stock that such amounts would have purchased when converted. Phantom Common Stock Units are paid out after the Director's retirement from the Board and are settled in cash.

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