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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 25, 2005

SALEM COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)



Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 000-26497

(Commission File Number)

77-0121400 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

93012

(Zip Code)

4880 Santa Ro	sa Road,	Camarillo,	California
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(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (805) 987-0400

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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[]Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

(b) On March 25, 2005, Donald P. Hodel voluntarily announced his retirement from service as a director of Salem Communications Corporation (the "Company"), effective immediately. Mr. Hodel's retirement did not involve any disagreement with the Company on any matter related to the Company's operations, policies or practices.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 31, 2005

SALEM COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

By: /s/ EVAN D. MASYR

Evan D. Masyr Vice President of Accounting and Corporate Controller

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