

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): September 7, 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.)

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

93012
(Zip Code)

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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ITEM 1.01 ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT
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Increase in Director Compensation

On September 7, 2005, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Salem Communications Corporation (the "Company") authorized an increase in the quarterly retainer fee for each of the following members of the Board: David Davenport, Eric H. Halvorson, Roland S. Hinz, Donald P. Hodel, Paul Pressler and Richard A. Riddle ("Designated Directors"). The Compensation Committee of the Board recommended this increase to the Board after a review of director compensation at comparable corporations made by the Company's management. The retainer fees for each Designated Director were increased from Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) to Six Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$6,250.00) per quarter effective as of the quarter beginning on October 1, 2005.

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.

SALEM COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION

Date: September 13, 2005

By: /s/ Evan D. Masyr
Evan D. Masyr
Vice President of Accounting and Corporate Controller