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

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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 <sup>*</sup> Henderson Christopher J	S	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SALEM COMMUNICATIONS CORP /DE/ [SALM]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director Officer (give title below)Other (specify below) Other (specify below)Other (specify below)			
(Last) (First) 4880 SANTA ROSA ROAD		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/28/2011					Vice President & Sect	etary		
(Street) CAMARILLO, CA 93012	4	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) (State)	(Zip)		Table I - N	on-D	erivative	Securitie	s Acqu	uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned	1	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) Code		4. Securi (A) or Di (Instr. 3, Amount	(A) or		Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		Beneficial Ownership

F	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

 (a.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

	(e.g., puts, cans, warrants, options, convertible securities)														
1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction	3A. Deemed	4.		5. Numbe	er	6. Date Exercisab	le and Expiration	7. Title and	Amount	8. Price of	9. Number of	10.	11. Nature
Derivative	Conversion	Date	Execution Date, if	Transac	tion	of Deriva	itive	Date		of Underlyin	ng	Derivative	Derivative	Ownership	of Indirect
Security	or Exercise	(Month/Day/Year)	any	Code		Securities	s	(Month/Day/Year	r)	Securities		Security	Securities	Form of	Beneficial
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8		Acquired (A)			(Instr. 3 and	4)	(Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Derivative	Ownership	
	Derivative					or Dispos	sed							Security:	(Instr. 4)
	Security					of (D)								Direct (D)	
						(Instr. 3,	4,						1	or Indirect	
						and 5)							Transaction(s)	· /	
											Amount		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
								Date			or				
								Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Number				
											of				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)				Shares				
Stock										~ .					
Options										Class A					
	\$ 2.38	09/28/2011		Α		28,000		09/28/2012 <sup>(1)</sup>	09/28/2020(2)	Common	28,000	\$ 0	28,000	D	
(right to										Stock					
buy)															

## **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Henderson Christopher J 4880 SANTA ROSA ROAD CAMARILLO, CA 93012			Vice President & Secretary					

### Signatures

/s/Christopher J. Henderson	09/30/2011
**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).

(1) The option vests annually in four (4) equal installments, commencing on September 28, 2012.

(2) Each annual installment of the option expires on the fifth (5th) anniversary of the vesting date. The last installment to vest will expire on September 28, 2020.

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