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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Form 5 obligations may Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Instruction 1(b). Company Act of 1940

(Thirt of Type (Cesponses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person MASYR EVAN D	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			
(Last) (First) 4880 SANTA ROSA ROAD, STE	200	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/27/2004					V.F. and Corporate Cor	luonei		
(Street) CAMARILLO, CA 93012		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 - Non-Derivative Securities Acqu					l lired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned	1		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	ion	(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		Beneficial Ownership
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price		(Instr. 4)	

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., pute 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	Transact	tion	of Deriva	tive	Date		of Underlying		Derivative	Derivative	Ownership	of Indirect
Security	or Exercise	(Month/Day/Year)	any	Code		Securities	s	(Month/Day/Year)		Securities Sec		Security	Securities	Form of	Beneficial
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8))				(Instr. 3 and	4)	(Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Derivative	Ownership	
	Derivative					or Disposed					Owned	Security:	(Instr. 4)		
	Security					of (D)					Following	Direct (D)			
						(Instr. 3,	(Instr. 3, 4,					Reported	or Indirect		
						and 5)					Transaction(s)		(I)		
											Amount		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
								-			or				
								Date	Expiration Date	Title	Number				
								Exercisable			of				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)				Shares				
Stock															
										Class A					
Option	\$ 24.2	12/27/2004		Α		40.000		12/27/2005(1)	12/27/2017(2)	Common	40.000	\$ 0	40,000	D	
(Right	+					,		12/2//2005	12/2//2017	Stock	,	÷ ·	,	-	
to Buy)										SIOCK					

Reporting Owners

	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
MASYR EVAN D 4880 SANTA ROSA ROAD STE 300 CAMARILLO, CA 93012			V.P. and Corporate Controller					

Signatures

Evan D. Masyr	12/28/2004	
**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 vest in eight installments, commencing on December 27, 2005.

(2) Each installment of the option expires on the fifth anniversary of the vesting date. The last installment to vest shall expire December 27, 2017.

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