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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>BURLEIGH WILLIAM R</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SCRIPPS E W CO /DE [ SSP ]</u>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <b>Chairman</b>		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>05/29/2003</u>			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

**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			
Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share	05/29/2003		M		48,500	A	18.64	0 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share	05/29/2003		S		48,500	D	85.9895	40,060	I	Wife's Trust
Common Voting Shares, \$.01 par value per share	08/08/1988 <sup>(1)</sup>		P <sup>(1)</sup>		0 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	0 <sup>(1)</sup>	0 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	

**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 Derivative Security	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 Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Option	18.64	12/09/1994		A		1		12/09/1995	12/09/2004	Class A Common	48,500	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	9	D	
Option	27.2	05/23/1996		A		1		05/23/1997	09/30/2005	Class A Common	28,600	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	9	D	
Option	27.2	05/23/1996		A		1		05/23/1997	09/30/2005	Class A Common	33,300	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	9	D	
Option	34.5	01/10/1997		A		1		01/10/1998	09/30/2005	Class A Common	35,000	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	9	D	
Option	47.22	01/15/1998		A		1		01/15/1999	09/30/2005	Class A Common	40,000	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	9	D	
Option	47.31	01/19/1999		A		1		01/19/2000	01/18/2009	Class A Common	60,000	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	9	D	
Option	49	01/24/2000		A		1		01/24/2001	01/23/2010	Class A Common	75,000	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	9	D	
Option	64.32	05/10/2001		A		1		05/10/2002	05/09/2011	Class A Common	5,000	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	9	D	
Option	78.01	05/09/2002		A		1		05/09/2003	05/08/2012	Class A Common	5,000	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	9	D	
Option	79.64	04/29/2003		A		1		04/29/2004	04/28/2013	Class A Common	5,000	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	9	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. No transaction.

/s/ M. Denise Kuprionis,  
Attorney-in-fact for William R. 05/30/2003  
Burleigh

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

\* 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).

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