Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* HORTON ALAN M							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SCRIPPS E W CO /DE [SSP]										of Reporting Pers cable) or (give title		son(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify	
(Last) 312 WA	St) (First) (Middle) 2 WALNUT STREET, 28TH FLOOR					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/16/2004										X below)	•		below) wspapers	
(Street) CINCINNATI OH 45202					4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of 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)	(S		(Zip)																	
Table I - Non-Deriva 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D					action	۱ ا	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			3. 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 5		4. Secu	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			5. Amou Securitie Benefici Owned F	nt of es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
										Code	v	Amoun	t (A) or)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)
Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share					6/200)4				F		2,04	43	D	\$45.9	9,	777]		D	
Common Voting Shares, \$.01 par value per share																	0		D	
			Table II -	Deriva (e.g., p												Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		ı of		Expi	ate Exer iration E nth/Day	ate		7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		curity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	s Silly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exer	e rcisable		oiration te	Title	or Nu	nount imber Shares					
Option	\$17.25								01/1	10/1998	01/	09/2007	Class A		0,000		8		D	
Option	\$23.61								01/1	15/1999	01/	14/2008	Class A		0,000		8		D	
Option	\$23.655								01/1	19/2000	01/	18/2009	Class A		0,000		8		D	
Option	\$24.5								01/2	24/2001	01/	23/2010	Class A		0,000		8		D	
Option	\$32.125								01/2	25/2002	01/	24/2011	Class A		0,000		8		D	
Option	\$37.555								02/2	20/2003	02/	19/2012	Class A		00,000		8		D	
Option	\$39.985								02/2	26/2004	02/	25/2013	Class A Commo		0,000		8		D	
Option	\$48.71								03/2	23/2005	03/	22/2014	Class A	6	0,000		8		D	

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

/s/ M. Denise Kuprionis,

12/20/2004 Attorney-in-fact for Alan M.

Horton

** Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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