

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>HORTON ALAN M</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) 312 WALNUT STREET, 28TH FLOOR  (Street) CINCINNATI OH 45202  (City) (State) (Zip)	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)  Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>SVP/Newspapers</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/23/2004	
		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

**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	03/23/2004		A		3,410	A	(1)	3,410 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share								2,500	D	
Common Voting Shares, \$.01 par value per share								0	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					
Option	\$34.5							01/10/1998	01/09/2007	Class A Common	25,000	8	D	
Option	\$47.22							01/15/1999	01/14/2008	Class A Common	30,000	8	D	
Option	\$47.31							01/19/2000	01/18/2009	Class A Common	35,000	8	D	
Option	\$49							01/24/2001	01/23/2010	Class A Common	35,000	8	D	
Option	\$64.25							01/25/2002	01/24/2011	Class A Common	45,000	8	D	
Option	\$75.11							02/20/2003	02/19/2012	Class A Common	50,000	8	D	
Option	\$79.97							02/26/2004	02/25/2013	Class A Common	40,000	8	D	
Option	\$97.42	03/23/2004		A		1		03/23/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	03/22/2014	Class A Common	30,000	<sup>(3)</sup> 8	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- This is a restricted share award, which is time vested in equal installments on 3/23/05, 3/23/06 and 3/23/07.
- This option is exercisable in three equal installments on 3/23/05, 3/23/06 and 3/23/07.
- The exercise price of this nonqualified stock option award granted under the company's Long-Term Incentive Plan is \$97.42.

**Remarks:**

/s/ M. Denise Kuprionis,  
Attorney-in-fact for Alan M. Horton      03/25/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person      Date

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

\* 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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