# FORM 4

# **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

	Washing	ton, D.C. 20549	
<b>STATEMENT</b>	OF CHANGES	S IN BENEFICIA	AL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  BURLINGAME JOHN H						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol SCRIPPS E W CO /DE [ SSP ]									(Che	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner				
(Last)	Last) (First) (Middle) 312 WALNUT STREET, 28TH FLOOR					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2004										Officer (give title Other (spec below) below)				
(Street) CINCIN (City)	CINCINNATI OH 45202			4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Line)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(0.0)				-Deriv	ativ		Curi	tios	Λcαι	ired	Dien	0800	l of or	Rene	ficially	Owned				
Table I - Non-Deriva  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/E					2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		l Pate,	3. 4. Se Transaction Disp Code (Instr. 5)		4. Sec	ecurities Acquired (A) losed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		A) or	5. Amoun Securities Beneficia Owned Fo	s lly ollowing	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
										Code	v	Amou	ınt	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and	on(s)		[	(Instr. 4)
Class A ( share	Common Sh	ares, \$.01 par va	ılue per													1,4	28		D	
Class A ( share	Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per hare															39,192,222		D <sup>(1)</sup>		
Common share	Voting Sha	res, \$.01 par val	ue per										32,080,000 D <sup>(1)</sup>				D <sup>(1)</sup>			
			Table II - I													Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Da if any (Month/Day/Y	te, 4.	ransaction ode (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		nts, options, co 6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)						unt of lying	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)
				Co	ode	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	isable	Expir Date	ation	Title	Amor Numl Share						
Option	\$24.25								05/13	3/2000	05/12	/2009	Class A Common		000		7		D	
Option	\$24.47								05/18	3/2001	05/17	/2010	Class A Common		,000		7		D	
Option	\$32.16								05/10	)/2002	05/09	/2011	Class A Common		,000		7		D	
Option	\$39.005								05/09	9/2003	05/08	/2012	Class A Common		,000		7		D	
Option	\$39.82								04/29	9/2004	04/28	/2013	Class A Common		,000		7		D	
Phantom Stock	\$48.43	12/31/2004			J			1	(	2)	(	2)	Class A Common		4.54 <sup>(2)</sup>	(2)	7		D	
Phantom Stock	\$48.43	12/31/2004			J		1		(	2)	(	2)	Class A Common		5.23 <sup>(2)</sup>	(2)	7		D	
Option	\$52.91								04/15	5/2005	04/14	/2014	Class A Common		,000		7		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The reporting person is a Trustee of the Edward W. Scripps Trust (the "Trust") and has the power, together with the other Trustees of the Trust, to vote and dispose of the shares of the company held by the Trust. Mr. Burlingame disclaims any beneficial interest in the shares held by the Trust.
- 2. Pursuant to the company's 1997 Deferred Compensation and Stock Plan for Directors, directors may defer fees into a phantom stock fund. Under this plan, fees are converted quarterly into phantom shares at the fair market value of the company's Class A Common shares on the last trading day of each quarter. Upon retirement as a director or at another specified date, the balance may be paid in either shares or cash. The balance at 12/31/04 is 1,539.13 phantom shares.

## Remarks:

/s/ M. Denise Kuprionis, Attorney-in-fact for John H.

01/04/2005

**Burlingame** 

\*\* 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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