

Eddington Roderick I  
Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Eddington Roderick I

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
NEWS CORP [NWS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/09/2005

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

C/O NEWS AMERICA  
INCORPORATED, 1211 AVENUE  
OF THE AMERICAS

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

NEW YORK, NY 10036

(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	Price \$	
Class A Common Stock	12/09/2005		M	196,500	A 9.58	196,500	D
					(1)		
Class A Common Stock	12/09/2005		S	171,730	D 15.6	24,770	D
Class A Common Stock	12/09/2005		M	150,000	A 11.2	174,770	D
					(2)		

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**  
(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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.58 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/09/2005		M	196,500	<sup>(3)</sup> 08/19/2007		Class A Common Stock	196,500
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.2 <sup>(2)</sup>	12/09/2005		M	150,000	<sup>(4)</sup> 01/01/2007		Class A Common Stock	150,000

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Eddington Roderick I  
C/O NEWS AMERICA INCORPORATED  
1211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS  
NEW YORK, NY 10036

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## Signatures

/s/ Laura O'Leary, as Attorney-in-Fact for Roderick I.  
Eddington

12/13/2005

\*\*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) Reported in Australian dollars. The exercise price was US \$7.18.

(2) Reported in Australian dollars. The exercise price was US \$8.40.

(3) The stock option vested in four equal, annual installments beginning on August 19, 1998.

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(4) The stock option vested in four equal, annual installments beginning on January 1, 1998.

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