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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PERKINS THOMAS J

(First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10036

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

NEWS CORP [NWS]

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

01/07/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Officer (give title

Applicable Line)

X_ Director

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

(I)

(Instr. 4)

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

Other (specify

7. Nature of

Ownership (Instr. 4)

Indirect

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Issuer

below)

(State) (City) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

or

Beneficially Owned Following Reported

5. Amount of

Securities

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 1. Title of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Conversion

5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of 8. Price

Underlying Securities Derivative

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)) Se Ac (A D: of (In	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	V ((A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Stock Units	(1)	01/07/2005		A	5	34		<u>(2)</u>	(2)	Class A Common Stock	534	\$ 18.7

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PERKINS THOMAS J C/O NEWS AMERICA INCORPORATED 1211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10036

X

Signatures

/s/ Laura O'Leary as Attorney in Fact for Thomas Perkins

01/11/2005

**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) Each deferred stock unit represents the equivalent of one share of Class A Common Stock.
- (2) The deferred stock units become payable in cash upon the fifth anniversary of the grant date.

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