

Murdoch James R.
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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 *
Murdoch James R.

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/15/2009

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chair/Chief Exec. Europe Asia

(Street)
NEW YORK, NY 10036

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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) | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | | |
| Class A Common Stock | 08/15/2009 | | M | 16,543 | A | Ⓐ | 959,822 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 08/15/2009 | | F | 8,053 | D | \$ 10.94 | 951,769 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 08/15/2009 | | D | 8,490 | D | \$ 10.94 | 943,279 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 08/15/2009 | | M | 40,895 | A | Ⓐ | 984,174 | D |

Common
Stock

| | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|------------|---|--------|---|-------------|---------|---|
| Class A Common Stock | 08/15/2009 | F | 19,907 | D | \$ 10.94 | 964,267 | D |
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| Class A Common Stock | 08/15/2009 | D | 20,988 | D | \$ 10.94 | 943,279 | D |
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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title Amount or Number of Shares |
| Cash-settled restricted share units | (2) | 08/15/2009 | | M | 16,543 | 08/15/2009 08/15/2009 | Class A Common Stock 16,543 |
| Cash-settled restricted share units | (2) | 08/15/2009 | | M | 40,895 | 08/15/2009 08/15/2009 | Class A Common Stock 40,895 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Murdoch James R. C/O NEWS AMERICA INCORPORATED 1211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10036 | X | | Chair/Chief Exec. Europe Asia | |

Signatures

/s/ Michelle Lung, as Attorney-in-Fact for James R.
Murdoch

08/18/2009

__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) The cash-settled restricted share units were deemed to have settled for an equivalent number of shares of the News Corporation's Class A Common Stock.
- (2) 1-for-1

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