

DSP GROUP INC /DE/  
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April 09, 2012

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

SCHEDULE 13D  
(Rule 13d-101)

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT  
TO § 240.13d-1(a) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO  
§ 240.13d-2(a)

(Amendment No. 3)1

DSP Group, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$0.001 Par Value  
(Title of Class of Securities)

23332B106  
(CUSIP Number)

JEFFREY C. SMITH  
STARBOARD VALUE LP  
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New York, New York 10022  
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Park Avenue Tower  
65 East 55th Street  
New York, New York 10022  
(212) 451-2300

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person

Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

April 4, 2012

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of This Statement)

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1 The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

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CUSIP NO. 23332B106

1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

STARBOARD VALUE AND OPPORTUNITY MASTER FUND LTD

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A (a)   
GROUP (b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

WC

5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

CAYMAN ISLANDS

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
		1,632,625
	8	SHARED VOTING POWER
		- 0 -
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
		1,632,625
	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
		- 0 -

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

1,632,625

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11)   
EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

7.2%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

CO

CUSIP NO. 23332B106

1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

STARBOARD VALUE AND OPPORTUNITY S LLC

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

DELAWARE

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
		589,454
	8	SHARED VOTING POWER
		- 0 -
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
		589,454
	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

- 0 -

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

589,454

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

2.6%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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STARBOARD VALUE LP

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DELAWARE

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
		2,222,079
	8	SHARED VOTING POWER
		- 0 -
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
		2,222,079
	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

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11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

2,222,079

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

9.8%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

PN

CUSIP NO. 23332B106

1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

STARBOARD VALUE GP LLC

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NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
		2,222,079
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	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
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CUSIP NO. 23332B106

1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

STARBOARD PRINCIPAL CO LP

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NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
		2,222,079
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		- 0 -
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
		2,222,079
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CUSIP NO. 23332B106

1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

STARBOARD PRINCIPAL CO GP LLC

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DELAWARE

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
		2,222,079
	8	SHARED VOTING POWER
		- 0 -
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
		2,222,079
	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
		- 0 -

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13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

9.8%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

JEFFREY C. SMITH

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

USA

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
		- 0 -
	8	SHARED VOTING POWER
		2,222,079
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
		- 0 -
	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
		2,222,079

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13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

9.8%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

IN

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

MARK MITCHELL

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4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

USA

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
		- 0 -
	8	SHARED VOTING POWER
		2,222,079
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
		- 0 -
	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
		2,222,079

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2,222,079

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9.8%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

PETER A. FELD

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6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

USA

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7	SOLE VOTING POWER
	8	- 0 - SHARED VOTING POWER
	9	2,222,079 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
	10	- 0 - SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
		2,222,079

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2,222,079

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9.8%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

IN

CUSIP NO. 23332B106

The following constitutes Amendment No. 3 (“Amendment No. 3”) to the Schedule 13D filed by the undersigned (the “Schedule 13D”). This Amendment No. 3 amends the Schedule 13D as specifically set forth herein.

Item 2. Identity and Background.

Item 2 (b) is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:

(b) The address of the principal office of each of Starboard LLC, Starboard Value LP, Starboard Value GP, Principal Co, Principal GP, and Messrs. Smith, Mitchell and Feld is 830 Third Avenue, 3rd Floor, New York, New York 10022. The address of the principal office of Starboard V&O Fund is 89 Nexus Way, Camana Bay, PO Box 31106, Grand Cayman KY1-1205, Cayman Islands.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.

Item 3 is hereby amended and restated to read as follows:

The Shares purchased by each of Starboard V&O Fund and Starboard LLC were purchased with working capital (which may, at any given time, include margin loans made by brokerage firms in the ordinary course of business) in open market purchases. The aggregate purchase price of the 1,632,625 Shares beneficially owned by Starboard V&O Fund is approximately \$12,451,433, excluding brokerage commissions. The aggregate purchase price of the 589,454 Shares beneficially owned by Starboard LLC is approximately \$4,439,133, excluding brokerage commissions.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

Item 4 is hereby amended to add the following:

On April 4, 2012, Starboard (as defined in the Settlement Agreement) and the Issuer entered into a Settlement Agreement. The following description of the Settlement Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Settlement Agreement, which is attached as exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

Pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement the Issuer agreed that prior to the mailing of its definitive proxy statement for the 2012 annual meeting of stockholders (the “2012 Annual Meeting”), the Board of Directors of the Issuer (the “Board”) shall take all necessary actions to: (i) increase the size of the Board from eight (8) to nine (9) members, effective as of the 2012 Annual Meeting, (ii) nominate Kenneth H. Traub and Tom Lacey (together, the “Starboard Nominees”) for election to the Board as Class III directors at the 2012 Annual Meeting, and (iii) cause Dr. Reuven Regev, a Class III director, to stand for re-election at the 2012 Annual Meeting for a term to expire at the 2013 annual meeting of stockholders.

The Issuer further agreed: (i) to use reasonable best efforts to hold the 2012 Annual Meeting no later than May 31, 2012, (ii) prior to April 13, 2012, to appoint the 2012 Starboard Nominees as observers to the Board, (iii) to allow Starboard to recommend substitute directors in the event either of the 2012 Starboard Nominees is unable to serve as a director, resigns or is removed as a director prior to the 2013 Annual Meeting and at such time Starboard beneficially owns in the aggregate at least the lesser of 3.0% of the then outstanding Shares and 681,954 Shares, and (iv) to use reasonable best efforts to report its financial results, including revenue and profitability, across at least two (2) of the Issuer’s business segments, including Home and Enterprise.



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Starboard agreed, among other things, not to, directly or indirectly: (i) nominate any person for election at the 2012 Annual Meeting, (ii) submit any proposal for consideration at, or bring any other business before, the 2012 Annual Meeting, or (iii) initiate, encourage or participate in any “withhold” or similar campaign with respect to the 2012 Annual Meeting.

Pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement, Starboard and the Issuer acknowledged that the only matters that may be presented by the Issuer for consideration at the 2012 Annual Meeting are: (i) the election of directors, (ii) the approval of the Issuer’s 2012 Equity Incentive Plan, (iii) the amendment and restatement of the Issuer’s 1993 Employee Stock Purchase Plan to increase the number of Issuer shares reserved thereunder by 500,000, (iv) the ratification of the Issuer’s independent registered public accounting firm, and (v) the approval, on a non-binding basis, of the compensation arrangements of the Issuer’s named executive officers.

Starboard further agreed to vote all of their shares in support of each of the proposals listed in clauses (i) through (v) directly above at the 2012 Annual Meeting. Starboard also agreed to abide by certain “standstill provisions” until the earlier of ten (10) business days prior to the deadline for the submission of stockholder nominations for the 2013 Annual Meeting or the date that is one hundred (100) days prior to the first anniversary of the 2012 Annual Meeting.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

Items 5(a)-(c) are hereby amended and restated to read as follows:

The aggregate percentage of Shares reported owned by each person named herein is based upon 22,731,823 Shares outstanding, as of March 7, 2012, which is the total number of Shares outstanding as reported in the Issuer’s Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 15, 2012.

A. Starboard V&O Fund

(a) As of the close of business on April 6, 2012, Starboard V&O Fund beneficially owned 1,632,625 Shares.

Percentage: Approximately 7.2%.

- (b)
1. Sole power to vote or direct vote: 1,632,625
  2. Shared power to vote or direct vote: 0
  3. Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: 1,632,625
  4. Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 0

(c) Starboard V&O Fund has not entered into any transactions in the Shares during the past sixty days.

B. Starboard LLC

(a) As of the close of business on April 6, 2012, Starboard LLC beneficially owned 589,454 Shares.

Percentage: Approximately 2.6%.

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- (b)
  - 1. Sole power to vote or direct vote: 589,454
  - 2. Shared power to vote or direct vote: 0
  - 3. Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: 589,454
  - 4. Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 0

(c) Starboard LLC has not entered into any transactions in the Shares during the past sixty days.

C. Starboard Value LP

(a) Starboard Value LP, as the investment manager of Starboard V&O Fund and the Manager of Starboard LLC, may be deemed the beneficial owner of the (i) 1,632,625 Shares owned by Starboard V&O Fund and (ii) 589,454 Shares owned by Starboard LLC.

Percentage: Approximately 9.8%.

- (b)
  - 1. Sole power to vote or direct vote: 2,222,079
  - 2. Shared power to vote or direct vote: 0
  - 3. Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: 2,222,079
  - 4. Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 0

(c) Starboard Value LP has not entered into any transactions in the Shares during the past sixty days.

D. Starboard Value GP

(a) Starboard Value GP, as the general partner of Starboard Value LP, may be deemed the beneficial owner of the (i) 1,632,625 Shares owned by Starboard V&O Fund and (ii) 589,454 Shares owned by Starboard LLC.

Percentage: Approximately 9.8%.

- (b)
  - 1. Sole power to vote or direct vote: 2,222,079
  - 2. Shared power to vote or direct vote: 0
  - 3. Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: 2,222,079
  - 4. Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 0

(c) Starboard Value GP has not entered into any transactions in the Shares during the past sixty days.

E. Principal Co

(a) Principal Co, as a member of Starboard Value GP, may be deemed the beneficial owner of the (i) 1,632,625 Shares owned by Starboard V&O Fund and (ii) 589,454 Shares owned by Starboard LLC.

Percentage: Approximately 9.8%.

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- (b)
  - 1. Sole power to vote or direct vote: 2,222,079
  - 2. Shared power to vote or direct vote: 0
  - 3. Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: 2,222,079
  - 4. Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 0

(c) Principal Co has not entered into any transactions in the Shares during the past sixty days.

F. Principal GP

(a) Principal GP, as the general partner of Principal Co, may be deemed the beneficial owner of the (i) 1,632,625 Shares owned by Starboard V&O Fund and (ii) 589,454 Shares owned by Starboard LLC.

Percentage: Approximately 9.8%.

- (b)
  - 1. Sole power to vote or direct vote: 2,222,079
  - 2. Shared power to vote or direct vote: 0
  - 3. Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: 2,222,079
  - 4. Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 0

(c) Principal GP has not entered into any transactions in the Shares during the past sixty days.

G. Messrs. Smith, Mitchell and Feld

(a) Each of Messrs. Smith, Mitchell and Feld, as a member of Principal GP and as a member of each of the Management Committee of Starboard Value GP and the Management Committee of Principal GP, may be deemed the beneficial owner of the (i) 1,632,625 Shares owned by Starboard V&O Fund and (ii) 589,454 Shares owned by Starboard LLC.

Percentage: Approximately 9.8%.

- (b)
  - 1. Sole power to vote or direct vote: 0
  - 2. Shared power to vote or direct vote: 2,222,079
  - 3. Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: 0
  - 4. Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 2,222,079

(c) None of Messrs. Smith, Mitchell or Feld has entered into any transactions in the Shares during the past sixty days.

Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits.

Item 7 is hereby amended to add the following exhibit:

99.1 Settlement Agreement, dated April 4, 2012, between Starboard and DSP Group, Inc.



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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of his knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: April 9, 2012

STARBOARD VALUE AND  
OPPORTUNITY MASTER FUND LTD  
By: Starboard Value LP,  
its investment manager

STARBOARD VALUE GP LLC  
By: Starboard Principal Co LP,  
its member

STARBOARD VALUE AND  
OPPORTUNITY S LLC  
By: Starboard Value LP,  
its manager

STARBOARD PRINCIPAL CO LP  
By: Starboard Principal Co GP LLC,  
its general partner

STARBOARD PRINCIPAL CO GP LLC

STARBOARD VALUE LP  
By: Starboard Value GP LLC,  
its general partner

By: /s/ Jeffrey C. Smith  
Name: Jeffrey C.  
Smith  
Title: Authorized  
Signatory

/s/ Jeffrey C.  
Smith  
JEFFREY C.  
SMITH  
Individually  
and as  
attorney-in-fact  
for Mark  
Mitchell and  
Peter A. Feld