**CHERNIN PETER** 

Form 4

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## FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **CHERNIN PETER** Issuer Symbol NEWS CORP [NWS] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) \_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O NEWS AMERICA 11/12/2004 below) INCORPORATED, 1211 AVENUE President and COO OF THE AMERICAS (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting NEW YORK, NY 10036 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 6. Ownership 7. Nature of 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Following Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price By Peter Class A and Megan Common 11/12/2004 Α 1,400 (1) 1,400 I Chernin Stock Revocable Trust

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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 $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$ 

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. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amo Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An Nu Sha
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 10.34 (2)	07/25/1996		A	62,500 (3)		<u>(4)</u>	07/25/2006	Class A Common Stock	62
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.66 (5)	10/28/1996		A	750,000 (3)		<u>(4)</u>	10/28/2006	Class A Common Stock	7
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.58 (6)	08/19/1997		A	125,000 (3)		<u>(4)</u>	08/19/2007	Class A Common Stock	1
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.7 <u>(7)</u>	09/07/1998		A	400,000		<u>(4)</u>	09/07/2008	Class A Common Stock	4
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.92 (8)	09/06/1999		A	300,000		<u>(4)</u>	09/06/2009	Class A Common Stock	3
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22 <u>(9)</u>	11/15/1999		A	3,000,000		<u>(4)</u>	11/15/2009	Class A Common Stock	3,
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35.5 (10)	05/01/2000		A	3,000,000 (3)		<u>(4)</u>	05/01/2010	Class A Common Stock	3,
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 36.3 (11)	08/01/2000		A	500,000 (3)		<u>(4)</u>	08/01/2010	Class A Common Stock	5
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 28.06 (12)	08/30/2001		A	500,000 (3)		<u>(4)</u>	08/30/2011	Class A Common Stock	5
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.04 (13)	08/13/2002		A	500,000 (3)		<u>(4)</u>	08/13/2012	Class A Common Stock	5
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 19.78 (14)	08/11/2003		A	500,000		(16)	08/11/2013	Class A Common Stock	5

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#### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CHERNIN PETER
C/O NEWS AMERICA INCORPORATED
1211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS
NEW YORK, NY 10036

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President and COO

#### **Signatures**

/s/ Laura O' Leary, Attorney-in-Fact for Peter Chernin

11/12/2004

\*\*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) Received in exchange for 2800 shares of The News Corporation Limited ("TNCL") Preferred Limited Voting Ordinary Shares ("Preferred Shares") in connection with the reorganization of TNCL to the United States (the "Reorganization").
- (2) Reported in Australian dollars. On the grant date, the exercise price would have been US\$8.18 after giving effect to the one for two exchange ratio.
- Received in exchange for options held over TNCL Preferred Shares in connection with the Reorganization. On 11/12/2004, the effective date of the Reorganization, each outstanding option over TNCL Preferred Shares was cancelled and an option over Class A Common Stock for half the number of underlying TNCL Preferred Shares was issued in exchange therefore.
- (4) The options provide for vesting as to 25% on each anniversary date after the date of the original grant date.
- (5) Reported in Australian dollars. On the grant date, the exercise price would have been US\$9.24 after giving effect to the one for two exchange ratio.
- (6) Reported in Australian dollars. On the grant date, the exercise price would have been US\$7.06 after giving effect to the one for two exchange ratio.
- (7) Reported in Australian dollars. On the grant date, the exercise price would have been US\$11.07 after giving effect to the one for two exchange ratio.
- (8) Reported in Australian dollars. On the grant date, the exercise price would have been US\$13.47 after giving effect to the one for two exchange ratio.
- (9) Reported in Australian dollars. On the grant date, the exercise price would have been US\$14.23 after giving effect to the one for two exchange ratio.
- (10) Reported in Australian dollars. On the grant date, the exercise price would have been US\$20.62 after giving effect to the one for two exchange ratio.
- (11) Reported in Australian dollars. On the grant date, the exercise price would have been US\$21.08 after giving effect to the one for two exchange ratio.
- (12) Reported in Australian dollars. On the grant date, the exercise price would have been US\$15.15 after giving effect to the one for two exchange ratio.
- (13) Reported in Australian dollars. On the grant date, the exercise price would have been US\$8.66 after giving effect to the one for two exchange ratio.
- (14) Reported in Australian dollars. On the grant date, the exercise price would have been US\$12.94 after giving effect to the one for two exchange ratio.
- On 11/12/2004, the effective date of the Reorganization, each outstanding stock appreciation right for TNCL Preferred Shares was cancelled and a stock appreciation right for Class A Common Stock for half the number of the shares was issued in exchange therefore.

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(16) The stock appreciation right provide for vesting as to 25% on each anniversary date after the date of the original grant.

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