FORM 4

# **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BURLINGAME JOHN H						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol SCRIPPS E W CO /DE [ SSP ]									(Ch	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle)						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2007										Officer (give title below)  Officer (give title below)					
312 WALNUT STREET, 28TH FLOOR						If Ame	ndmer	nt Date	e of Orio	ninal F	iled (	Month/Γ	6.11	ndividual or 1	oint/Groun	Filina	(Check An	nlicable			
(Street) CINCINNATI OH 45202						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City) (State) (Zip)														Person							
		Tal	ole I - Nor	n-Deriv	ativ	e Se	curit	ies A	cquir	ed, I	Disp	osed	of, or	Bene	ficiall	y Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D					action Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Yea		te, Tr	Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)				5. Amour Securities Beneficia Owned F	s Illy ollowing	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
										ode	v	Amount		A) or D)	Price	Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a				(111501.4)	
Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share																1,4	1,428		D		
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Common Voting Shares, \$.01 par value per share																32,08	32,080,000		D <sup>(1)</sup>		
			Table II -	Deriva (e.g., p												Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day	I 4 Date, T	4. Transaction Code (Instr		5. Number		6. Date Exercisabl Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)						ount	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
				c	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expi Date	iration	Title	Nu	ount or nber of ires						
Option	\$32.16								05/10/2	2002	05/0	9/2011	Class A		0,000		8		D		
Option	\$39.005								05/09/2	2003	05/0	8/2012	Class A		0,000		8		D		
Option	\$39.82								04/29/2	2004	04/2	8/2013	Class A		0,000		8		D		
Phantom Stock	\$45.01	12/31/2007			J		1		(2)	)		(2)	Class A		.19(2)	(2)	8		D		
Phantom Stock	\$45.01	12/31/2007			J			1	(3)	)		(3)	Class A		2.38(3)	(3)	8		D		
Option	\$52.91								04/15/2	2005	04/1	4/2014	Class A		),000		8		D		
Option	\$51.26								04/14/2	2006	04/1	3/2015	Class A	A 1	),000		8		D		
Option	\$46.64								05/04/2	2007	05/0	3/2016	Class A		),000		8		D		
Option	\$43.28								04/26/2	2008	04/2	5/2017	Class	10	0,000		8		D		

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The reporting person is a Trustee of the Edward W. Scripps Trust (the "Trust") and has the power, together with the other Trustees of the Trust, to vote and dispose of the shares of the company held by the Trust. Mr. Burlingame disclaims any beneficial interest in the shares held by the Trust.
- 2. Pursuant to the company's 1997 Deferred Compensation and Stock Plan for Directors, directors may defer fees into a phantom stock fund. Under this plan, fees are converted quarterly into phantom shares at the fair market value of the company's Class A Common shares on the last trading day of each quarter. Upon retirement as a director or at another specified date, the balance may be paid in either shares or cash. The balance at 12/31/07 was 882.47 phantom shares.
- 3. Pursuant to the company's 1997 Deferred Compensation and Stock Plan for Directors, directors may defer fees into a phantom stock fund. Under this plan, fees are converted quarterly into phantom shares at the fair market value of the company's Class A Common shares on the last trading day of each quarter. Upon retirement as a director or at another specified date, the balance may be paid in either shares or cash. The reporting person received a payout and 792.38 shares were deducted from his phantom share balance at 12/31/07.

## Remarks:

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- \* 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).

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