

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>HORTON ALAN M</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SCRIPPS E W CO /DE [SSP]</u>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>SVP/Newspapers</u>		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>05/15/2003</u>			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
(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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share	05/15/2003		M		16,200	A	18.84	0 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share	05/15/2003		S		16,200	D	85.9227	2,500	D	
Common Voting Shares, \$.01 par value per share	08/08/1988 ⁽¹⁾		P ⁽¹⁾		0 ⁽¹⁾	A	0 ⁽¹⁾	0 ⁽¹⁾	D	

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	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)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Option	18.84	12/09/1994		A			1	12/09/1995	12/09/2004	Class A Common	16,200	\$0 ⁽¹⁾	8	D	
Option	34.5	01/10/1997		A		1		01/10/1998	01/09/2007	Class A Common	25,000	\$0 ⁽¹⁾	8	D	
Option	47.22	01/15/1998		A		1		01/15/1999	01/14/2008	Class A Common	30,000	\$0 ⁽¹⁾	8	D	
Option	47.31	01/19/1999		A		1		01/19/2000	01/18/2009	Class A Common	35,000	\$0 ⁽¹⁾	8	D	
Option	49	01/24/2000		A		1		01/24/2001	01/23/2010	Class A Common	35,000	\$0 ⁽¹⁾	8	D	
Option	64.25	01/25/2001		A		1		01/25/2002	01/24/2011	Class A Common	45,000	\$0 ⁽¹⁾	8	D	
Option	75.11	02/20/2002		A		1		02/20/2003	02/19/2012	Class A Common	50,000	\$0 ⁽¹⁾	8	D	
Option	79.97	02/26/2003		A		1		02/26/2004	02/25/2013	Class A Common	40,000	\$0 ⁽¹⁾	8	D	
Option	18.84	12/09/1994		A		1		12/09/1995	12/09/2004	Class A Common	16,200	\$0 ⁽¹⁾	8	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. No transaction.

/s/ M. Denise Kuprionis,
Attorney-in-fact for Alan M. Horton 05/16/2003

** 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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