

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Hale Mark S</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>312 WALNUT STREET, 28TH FLOOR</u> (Street) <u>CINCINNATI OH 45202</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>05/20/2005</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SCRIPPS E W CO /DE [SSP]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>VP of Technology Operations</u>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share	1,470	I	Wife's Trust
Common Voting Shares, \$.01 par value per share	0	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Option	01/15/1999	01/14/2008	Class A Common	8,000	23.61	D	
Option	01/19/2000	01/18/2009	Class A Common	10,000	23.66	D	
Option	01/24/2001	01/23/2010	Class A Common	11,000	24.5	D	
Option	01/25/2002	01/24/2011	Class A Common	15,000	32.13	D	
Option	02/20/2003	02/19/2012	Class A Common	10,000	37.56	D	
Option	02/26/2004 ⁽¹⁾	02/25/2013	Class A Common	16,000	39.99	D	
Option	02/25/2005 ⁽²⁾	02/24/2014	Class A Common	16,000	49.15	D	
Option	02/15/2006 ⁽³⁾	02/09/2013	Class A Common	16,000	46.46	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- This option is exercisable in three equal installments. 1/3 vested on 2/26/04, 1/3 vested on 2/26/05 and 1/3 will vest on 2/26/06.
- This option is exercisable in three equal installments. 1/3 vested on 2/25/05, 1/3 will vest on 2/25/06 and 1/3 will vest on 2/25/07.
- This option is exercisable in three equal installments. 1/3 will vest on 2/15/06, 1/3 will vest on 2/15/07 and 1/3 will vest on 2/15/08.

Remarks:

/s/M. Denise Kupronis,
Attorney-in fact for Mark S. Hale 05/26/2005

** 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 5 (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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