

STRIANESE MICHAEL T  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
STRIANESE MICHAEL T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
L 3 COMMUNICATIONS HOLDINGS INC [LLL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/22/2012

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
SEE REMARKS

C/O L-3 COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION, 600 THIRD AVENUE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

NEW YORK, NY 10016

(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		
Common Stock	02/22/2012		A		39,401 (1) \$ 0	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2012		A		33,314 (3) \$ 0	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2012		F		13,928 (4) \$ 0	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2012		S		10,000 (6) \$ 70.1272	D	

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Common Stock	02/23/2012	M	31,000	A	\$ 35.95	227,610 <sup>(5)</sup>	D
Common Stock	02/23/2012	S	31,000	D	\$ 70.0198	196,610 <sup>(5)</sup>	D

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

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**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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
03/04/03 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 35.95	02/23/2012		M	31,000	<sup>(8)</sup> 03/04/2013	Common Stock	31,000	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STRIANESE MICHAEL T C/O L-3 COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION 600 THIRD AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10016	X		SEE REMARKS	

## Signatures

s/ Allen E. Danzig as Attorney-in-Fact 02/24/2012

\*\*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) Grant of restricted stock units which vest on the three-year anniversary of the grant date.
- (2) Reflects additional shares acquired through the Company's Master Savings (401(k)) Plan.
- (3) Represents additional shares acquired through the vesting of performance units settled in common stock.
- (4) Represents the number of common shares surrendered to pay applicable tax withholding upon vesting of the performance units.
- (5) Does not include shares issuable upon the exercise of options.  
Represents weighted average sale price for price increments ranging from \$70.08 to \$70.17. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide, upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (6) Represents weighted average sale price for price increments ranging from \$70.00 to \$70.08. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide, upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (7) This option vests annually in equal one-third increments beginning on the one-year anniversary of the grant date.
- (8)

### Remarks:

Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

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