

ZIMMERMAN JAMES A
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FORM 4

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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 *
ZIMMERMAN JAMES A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MEDIA GENERAL INC [MEG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
333 EAST FRANKLIN ST

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/03/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Vice President

RICHMOND, VA 23219

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security
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(Instr. 3) Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr. 5)
Phantom Stock ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0 01/03/2006	A 78 <u>(2)</u>	(2) Class A Common Stock 78 \$ 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ZIMMERMAN JAMES A 333 EAST FRANKLIN ST RICHMOND, VA 23219			Vice President	

Signatures

/s/ James A. Zimmerman, by George L. Mahoney,
Attorney-in-fact
**Signature of Reporting Person

01/04/2006
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) Units acquired under Company deferred compensation plan, final balance of which is distributed upon employee's termination of service.
- (2) Upon retirement, employee has several options as to the timing and form of payout.
- (3) Additionally, 31,900 non-derivative Class A common shares are held directly.

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