Wright Francis W. Form 4 March 13, 2013

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

Wright Francis W.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

SALEM COMMUNICATIONS

CORP/DE/[SALM]

4880 SANTA ROSA ROAD

(Middle)

(Street)

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

03/11/2013

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

CAMARILLO, CA 93012

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) 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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(Month/Day/Year)

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

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise any

Execution Date, if

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date

7. Title and Amour **Underlying Securit** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	str. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.92	03/11/2013		A		10,000		03/11/2014(1)	03/11/2022(2)	Class A Common Stock	10,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Wright Francis W. 4880 SANTA ROSA ROAD CAMARILLO, CA 93012	X						

Signatures

/s/Christopher J. Henderson Attorney-in-fact for Francis W. Wright pursuant to a continuing power of attorney

03/13/2013

**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) The option vests annually in four (4) equal installments, commencing March 11, 2014.
- (2) Each annual installment of the option expires on the fifth (5th) anniversary of the vesting date. The last installment to vest will expire on March 11, 2022.

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