Discovery Communications, Inc.

Form 4

October 17, 2008

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* HENDRICKS JOHN S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

Discovery Communications, Inc.

[DISCA]

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

10/15/2008

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

\_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

Founder

4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

SILVER SPRING, MD 20910

ONE DISCOVERY PLACE

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative Sec	curitie	s Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficially	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Approx Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 an	of (D) d 5) (A) or	, ,	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)
Series A Common Stock	10/15/2008(1)		Code V M	Amount 3,716,229	(D)	Price \$ 10.48		D	
Series A Common Stock	10/15/2008(1)		M	1,494,990	A	\$ 13.23	5,211,219	D	
Series A Common Stock	10/15/2008(1)		D	5,211,219	D	\$ 14.11	0	D	

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 Amo Underlying Sect (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Ai Nu Sh
DAP Unit (stock appreciation right)	\$ 10.48	10/15/2008		M		3,716,229	10/01/2008	10/01/2008	Series A Common Stock	3.
DAP Unit (stock appreciation right)	\$ 13.23	10/15/2008		M		1,494,990	10/01/2006	10/01/2009	Series A Common Stock	1.
DAP Unit (stock appreciation right)	\$ 25.95	10/15/2008		M		497,070 (2)	10/01/2008	10/01/2011	Series A Common Stock	4

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Toporting of more remove recommendations	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
HENDRICKS JOHN S ONE DISCOVERY PLACE SILVER SPRING, MD 20910	X		Founder				
Signatures							
/s/ Joseph A. LaSala, Jr., by po attorney	wer of		10/17/2008				
**Signature of Reporting Perso	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 DAP Units in respect of these shares of stock vested and became payable on October 1, 2008. Under the terms of the DAP, however, the amounts payable in respect of the vested units are calculated based on the average closing prices for the 10 trading days preceding

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and including the vesting date and the 10 trading days after the vesting date.

No amounts were payable in respect of these DAP Units because the beginning unit value of \$25.95 exceeded the ending unit value of \$14.11.

#### **Remarks:**

The trading symbols for the Issuer's Series A, Series B and Series C common stock are, respectively, DISCA, DISCB and DIS Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.