

MEDIA GENERAL INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**SCHAUSS JOHN A**

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

RICHMOND, VA 23219

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/01/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Vice President-Finance and CFO

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

**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 Derivative	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) Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr. 5)
		Code V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable
			Expiration Date
			Title
			Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 0 12/01/2008	A 473	(2) (2)
			Class A Common Stock 473 \$ 0

### Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
SCHAUSS JOHN A 333 EAST FRANKLIN ST RICHMOND, VA 23219	Vice President-Finance and CFO

### Signatures

/s/ John A. Schauss, by George L. Mahoney,  
Attorney-in-fact 12/02/2008

\_\_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) 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 of payout.
  - (3) Additionally, 27,800 non-derivative Class A common shares are held directly.
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