

MEREDITH CORP
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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 *
JOHNSON JOEL W

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1716 LOCUST STREET
(Street)

DES MOINES, IA 50309-3023

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MEREDITH CORP [MDP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
11/06/2008

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock (\$1 par value)				(A) or (D) Price	7,168	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)

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares		
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(1)</u>	\$ 18.56	11/06/2008		A		6,000		11/06/2009	11/06/2018	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	6,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(2)</u>	\$ 31.5							11/14/2001	11/14/2010	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	6,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(2)</u>	\$ 34.6							11/13/2002	11/13/2011	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	6,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(2)</u>	\$ 36.7188							11/09/2000	11/09/2009	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	6,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(2)</u>	\$ 39.0313							11/10/1999	11/10/2008	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	6,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(2)</u>	\$ 45.275							11/12/2003	11/12/2012	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	6,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(2)</u>	\$ 49.75							11/11/2004	11/11/2013	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	6,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(2)</u>	\$ 50.28							11/09/2006	11/09/2015	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	6,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 51.975							11/09/2005	11/09/2014	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	6,000

(2)

Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) \$ 52.87 11/09/2007 11/09/2016 Common Stock (\$1 par value) 6,0

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Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) \$ 59.98 11/08/2008 11/08/2017 Common Stock (\$1 par value) 6,0

(1)

Stock equivalent units \$ 0 08/08/1988 08/08/1988 Common Stock (\$1 par value) 16,2 (3)

Reporting Owners

Table with 5 columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other. Includes entry for JOHNSON JOEL W.

Signatures

By: Teresa T. Rinker, by Power of Attorney For: Joel W. Johnson 11/07/2008

**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) This option was awarded pursuant to the Meredith Corp. 2004 Stock Incentive Plan...
(2) This option was awarded pursuant to the Meredith Corp. Stock Plan for Non-employee Directors...
(3) Stock equivalents issued pursuant to Meredith Corp.'s 2002 Stock Plan for Non-employee Directors...

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