

ASHE O REID  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
ASHE O REID

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
(Street)  
  
  
  
  
  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/28/2005

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)  
President and COO

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 (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	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)						
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 0	02/28/2005	A	69	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Class A Common stock	69	\$ 0		

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ASHE O REID	X		President and COO	

## Signatures

/s/ O. Reid Ashe Jr., by Gorge L. Mahoney, Attorney-in-fact 03/02/2005

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 if distributed upon employee's termination of service.
- (2) Upon retirement, employee has several options as to the timing and form of payout.
- (3) Additionally, 59,800 non-derivative Class A common shares are held directly and 2,840 non-derivative Class A common shares are held indirectly

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