PRIMEDIA INC

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement PRIMEDIA INC [PRM] Aster Steve (Month/Day/Year) 10/24/2005 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O PRIMEDIA INC., 745 (Check all applicable) FIFTH AVENUE (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Senior Vice President Person NEW YORK, NYÂ 10151 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock 10,000 D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		THE	Security	Direct (D)	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(1)	06/26/2010	Common Stock	20,000	\$ 18.0625	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(2)	10/05/2011	Common Stock	7,500	\$ 1.85	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(3)	07/01/2012	Common Stock	9,000	\$ 4	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(4)	07/01/2012	Common Stock	9,000	\$ 5	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(5)	07/01/2012	Common Stock	3,000	\$ 6	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(6)	07/01/2012	Common Stock	9,000	\$ 6	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(7)	12/02/2008	Common Stock	40,000	\$ 2.9	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
r	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Aster Steve C/O PRIMEDIA INC. 745 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK. NY 10151	Â	Â	Senior Vice President	Â		

Signatures

Steve Aster 11/01/2005

**Signature of Pate Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Option originally granted on June 26, 2000. All options are fully vested as of the date hereof.
- (2) Option originally granted on October 5, 2001. All options are fully vested as of the date hereof.
- Options vest on an equal pro rata basis at the end of each of the 48 calendar months commencing on July 1, 2002. As of the end hereof, 7,313 options are vested.
- (4) Options become exercisable in 2010.
- Options become exercisable in 2010, unless 2005 acceleration targets (as set forth in an agreement between PRIMEDIA and the Reporting Person) are met in which case the options will vest at the end of 2005.
- (6) Options become exercisable in 2010.

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The option is exercisable in three installments of one-third each beginning December 3, 2004. As of the date hereof, 13,333 shares vested and were exercised and 26,667 remain outstanding and unvested.

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Remarks:

Exhibit List Â Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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