

DICKEY LEWIS W JR  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**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 \*  
DICKEY LEWIS W JR

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O CUMULUS MEDIA, 3280  
PEACHTREE ST NE #2300

(Street)

ATLANTA, GA 30305

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CUMULUS MEDIA INC [CMLS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/30/2008

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)

Chairman, President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Class A Common Stock, \$.01 par value	12/30/2008		A		69,244	A	\$ 0 (1)
					2,400,296	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)

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.62	12/30/2008		D	500,000	<sup>(2)</sup> 03/01/2012	Class A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value 500,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.03	12/30/2008		D	350,000	<sup>(2)</sup> 03/04/2013	Class A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value 350,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.38	12/30/2008		D	500,000	<sup>(2)</sup> 05/13/2014	Class A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value 500,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.79	12/30/2008		A	67,896	<sup>(3)</sup> 12/30/2018	Class A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value 67,896
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.92	12/30/2008		A	67,895	<sup>(3)</sup> 12/30/2018	Class A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value 67,895
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.3	12/30/2008		A	67,895	<sup>(3)</sup> 12/30/2018	Class A Common Stock, \$0.01 par value 67,895

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DICKEY LEWIS W JR  
C/O CUMULUS MEDIA  
3280 PEACHTREE ST NE #2300  
ATLANTA, GA 30305

X

X

Chairman, President & CEO

## Signatures

/s/ Richard S. Denning as  
Attorney-In-Fact

12/31/2008

\_\_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).

On December 30, 2008, the Issuer canceled, pursuant to the Issuer's option exchange program, options granted to the reporting person on:

- (1) March 1, 2002; March 4, 2003; and May 13, 2004. In exchange for such options, the reporting person received options to purchase 203,686 shares of Class A Common Stock and received 69,244 shares of restricted Class A Common Stock.
- (2) The canceled option is fully exercisable as of December 30, 2008.
- (3) Options will vest at the rate of (a) 50% on the second anniversary of the date of grant and (b) 25% on each of the two succeeding anniversaries thereafter.

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