

SCRIPPS E W CO /DE  
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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 \*  
SCRIPPS PAUL K

(Last) (First) (Middle)

312 WALNUT STREET, 28TH FLOOR

(Street)

CINCINNATI, OH 45202

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SCRIPPS E W CO /DE [SSP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
04/14/2005

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)

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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
|                                                  |                                      |                                                    |                                | (A) or (D)<br>Code V Amount (D) Price                             |                                                                                               |                                                          |                                            |
| Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                   | 206                                                                                           | D                                                        |                                            |
| Class A Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                   | 1,024                                                                                         | I                                                        | By wife & as custodian for children        |
| Common Voting                                    |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                   | 102,280                                                                                       | D                                                        |                                            |

Shares, \$.01  
par value  
per share

Common  
Voting  
Shares, \$.01  
par value  
per share

3,129,946 I

Trustee of  
several  
Trusts

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) | 8. Price or Derivative Security (Instr. 3) |                            |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
|                                            |                                                        |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | Date Exercisable                                         | Expiration Date                                               | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares |
|                                            |                                                        |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | Code                                                     | V                                                             | (A)                                        | (D)                        |
| Option                                     | \$ 39.005                                              |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | 05/09/2003                                               | 05/08/2012                                                    | Class A Common                             | 10,000                     |
| Option                                     | \$ 39.82                                               |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | 04/29/2004                                               | 04/28/2013                                                    | Class A Common                             | 10,000                     |
| Option                                     | \$ 52.91                                               |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | 04/15/2005                                               | 04/14/2014                                                    | Class A Common                             | 10,000                     |
| Option                                     | \$ 51.26                                               | 04/14/2005                           |                                                    | A                              | 1                                                                                       | 04/14/2006                                               | 04/13/2015                                                    | Class A Common                             | 10,000                     |

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SCRIPPS PAUL K  
312 WALNUT STREET, 28TH FLOOR

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CINCINNATI, OH 45202

## Signatures

/s/ M. Denise Kuprionis, Attorney-in fact for Paul K.  
Scripps

04/15/2005

\_\_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) The exercise price of this nonqualified stock option award granted under the company's 1997 Long-Term Incentive Plan is \$51.26.

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