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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement LEAP WIRELESS INTERNATIONAL INC [LEAP] MHR Institutional Advisors (Month/Day/Year) III LLC 08/10/2011 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 40 WEST 57TH (Check all applicable) STREET. 24TH FLOOR (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group __X__ 10% Owner Director Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by One Reporting Person NEW YORK. NYÂ 10019 X Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Common Shares 8,036,129 I (1) (2) (3) See Footnotes (1) (2) (3)Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of

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

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

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Date Expiration Title Amount or Security Direct (D)

Exercisable Date Number of or Indirect

Shares (I)

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MHR Institutional Advisors III LLC 40 WEST 57TH STREET 24TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019	Â	ÂX	Â	Â
RACHESKY MARK H MD 40 WEST 57TH STREET 24TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019	ÂX	ÂX	Â	Â
MHR FUND MANAGEMENT LLC 40 WEST 57TH STREET 24TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019	Â	ÂX	Â	Â
MHR Institutional Partners III LP 40 WEST 57TH STREET 24TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019	Â	ÂX	Â	Â

Signatures

MHR INSTITUTIONAL ADVISORS III LLC, By: /s/ Hal Goldstein, Name: Hal Goldstein,

Title: Vice President

**Signature of Reporting Person

08/10/2011 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).
- This Form 3 is being filed to report that each of (i) MHR Institutional Partners III LP, a Delaware limited partnership ("Institutional Partners III"), and (ii) MHR Institutional Advisors III LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Institutional Advisors III"), became beneficial owners of greater than 10% of the outstanding shares of common stock (the "Common Stock") of Leap Wireless International Inc. (the "Issuer").
 - These shares of Common Stock are held for the account of Institutional Partners III. Institutional Advisors III is the general partner of Institutional Partners III. Mark H. Rachesky, M.D. ("Dr. Rachesky") is the managing member of Institutional Advisors III. In such capacity, Dr. Rachesky may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the shares of Common Stock held for the account of Institutional
- (2) Partners III. MHR Fund Management LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Fund Management"), is an affiliate of, and has an investment management agreement with, Institutional Partners III pursuant to which it has the power to vote or direct the vote and to dispose or to direct the disposition of the shares of Common Stock held for the account of Institutional Partners III and, accordingly, Fund Management may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock held for the account of Institutional Partners III.
- (3) Dr. Rachesky and Fund Management may also be deemed to be beneficial owners of the shares of Common Stock of the Issuer as reported on that certain Form 4, dated August 10, 2011.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, See Instruction 6 for procedure.

Reporting Owners 2

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