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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

 AILES ROGER

(Last)

(First)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

08/15/2005

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

NEWS CORP [NWS]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O NEWS AMERICA INCORPORATED, 1211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS

(Street)

Director _X__ Officer (give title below) (specify below)

10% Owner Other

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Chairman of FOX TV Stations _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

NEW YORK, NYÂ 10036-8795

(City) (State)

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

(Zip)

(Middle)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership Form: (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

Â Class A Common Stock 2,040 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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)

2. Date Exercisable and

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. 5. Conversion or Exercise

6. Nature of Indirect Ownership Beneficial Ownership Form of (Instr. 5)

Price of Derivative Derivative Security:

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| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Security | Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|----------|--|---|
| Stock Option (right to buy) | (1) | 02/06/2006 | Class A Common Stock | 7,500 | \$ 12.78 | D | Â |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | (2) | 07/25/2006 | Class A Common Stock | 150,000 | \$ 10.34 | D | Â |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | (3) | 08/19/2007 | Class A Common Stock | 150,000 | \$ 9.58 | D | Â |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | (4) | 10/12/2008 | Class A Common Stock | 100,000 | \$ 16.16 | D | Â |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | (5) | 09/06/2009 | Class A Common Stock | 100,000 | \$ 20.92 | D | Â |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | (6) | 08/01/2010 | Class A Common Stock | 125,000 | \$ 36.3 | D | Â |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | (7) | 12/03/2011 | Class A Common Stock | 150,000 | \$ 25.1 | D | Â |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | (8) | 08/14/2012 | Class A Common Stock | 175,000 | \$ 16.04 | D | Â |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | (9) | 08/11/2013 | Class A Common Stock | 175,000 | \$ 19.78 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|--|
| 2 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | |
| AILES ROGER C/O NEWS AMERICA INCORPORATED 1211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10036-8795 | Â | Â | Chairman of FOX TV Stations | Â | |

Signatures

/s/ Laura O'Leary as Attorney-in-Fact for Roger E. Ailes 08/24/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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) The stock option became exercisable in four equal, annual installments of the original grant beginning on 02/06/1997.
- (2) The stock option became exercisable in four equal, annual installments beginning on 07/25/1997.
- (3) The stock option became exercisable in four equal, annual installments beginning on 08/19/1998.
- (4) The stock option became exercisable in four equal, annual installments beginning on 10/12/1999.
- (5) The stock option became exercisable in four equal, annual installments beginning on 09/06/2000.
- (6) The stock option became exercisable in four equal, annual installments beginning on 08/01/2001.
- The stock option became exercisable as to 25% of the underlying shares of Class A Common Stock on each of 12/03/02, 12/03/03 and 12/03/04, and became exercisable as to the remaining shares of Class A Common Stock on 05/03/05.
- (8) The stock option became exercisable in four equal, annual installments beginning on 08/14/2003.
- (9) The stock option became exercisable as to 25% of the underlying shares of Class A Common Stock on 08/11/04, and became exercisable as to the remaining shares of Class A Common Stock on 05/03/05.

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