

RECCHIA ROBERT L  
Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
RECCHIA ROBERT L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
VALASSIS COMMUNICATIONS INC [VCI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

VALASSIS COMMUNICATIONS, INC., 19975 VICTOR PARKWAY

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/26/2012

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
EVP and CFO

(Street)  
  
LIVONIA, MI 48152

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

**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)  | Price   |  |  |
| Common Stock                    | 12/26/2012                           |  | M                              | 25,000 A  | \$ 14.5   | 133,927  | D  |
| Common Stock                    | 12/26/2012                           |  | S                              | 25,000 D  | \$ 25.6927<br>(1)   | 108,927  | D  |
| Common Stock                    | 12/26/2012                           |  | M                              | 4,700 D   | \$ 17.19  | 113,627  | D  |
| Common Stock                    | 12/26/2012                           |  | S                              | 4,700 D   | \$ 25.6927<br>(1)   | 108,927  | D  |

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|              |            |   |       |   |                             |         |   |   |
|--------------|------------|---|-------|---|-----------------------------|---------|---|---|
| Common Stock | 12/27/2012 | M | 4,900 | D | \$ 17.19                    | 113,827 | D |   |
| Common Stock | 12/27/2012 | S | 4,900 | D | \$<br>25.5581<br><u>(2)</u> | 108,927 | D |   |
| Common Stock |            |   |       |   |                             | 21,142  | I | Valassis Employees' Retirement Savings Plan |

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) | Amount or Number of Shares |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                      | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 14.5  | 12/26/2012                           |  | M                              | 25,000  | <u>(3)</u> 01/01/2014                                    | Common Stock  | 25,000                     |                            |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 17.19   | 12/26/2012                           |  | M                              | 4,700   | <u>(4)</u> 07/01/2014                                    | Common Stock  | 4,700                      |                            |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)       | \$ 17.19   | 12/27/2012                           |  | M                              | 4,900   | <u>(4)</u> 07/01/2014                                    | Common Stock  | 4,900                      |                            |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |             |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer     | Other |
| RECCHIA ROBERT L<br>VALASSIS COMMUNICATIONS, INC.<br>19975 VICTOR PARKWAY<br>LIVONIA, MI 48152 | X             |           | EVP and CFO |       |

## Signatures

Linda J. Schalek, by Power of Attorney  
Date: 12/28/2012

\*\*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 price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$25.46 to \$26.03 inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer or any security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range.

(2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$25.50 to \$26.66 inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer or any security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range.

(3) The option, representing a right to purchase a total of 25,000 shares vested in two installments; one-third vested on October 7, 2009 and remaining two-thirds vested on January 1, 2012.

(4) The option, representing a right to purchase a total of 60,000 shares vested in three equal installments on February 1, 2010, March 4, 2010 and April 29, 2010.

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