

VALASSIS COMMUNICATIONS INC  
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**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 \*  
**HOFFMAN BARRY P**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**VALASSIS COMMUNICATIONS, INC., 19975 VICTOR PARKWAY**

(Street)

**LIVONIA, MI 48152**

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**10/01/2005**

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)  
**EVP & General Counsel**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)			(Instr. 3 and 4)		
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.98	10/01/2005	A		56,250		<u>(1)</u>	10/01/2012	Common Stock	56,250

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HOFFMAN BARRY P VALASSIS COMMUNICATIONS, INC. 19975 VICTOR PARKWAY LIVONIA, MI 48152	X		EVP & General Counsel	

## Signatures

Steven M. Mitzel, by Power of Attorney	10/04/2005
**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).

This option becomes exercisable in increments of 33.3333%, 33.3333% and 33.3334% at such time that the closing sales price per

(1) common share is equal to or exceeds \$43.98, \$48.98 and \$53.98, respectively; provided that such market price targets are achieved by October 1, 2008. In any event, however, the option vests by October 1, 2010.

(2) Represents number of derivative securities beneficially owned as of October 1, 2005.

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