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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D/A

(Rule 13d-101)

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 3)*

Arris Group, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$.01 par value

(Title of Class of Securities)

04269Q100

(CUSIP Number)

Charles Y. Tanabe, Esq. Senior Vice President and General Counsel Liberty Media Corporation 12300 Liberty Boulevard Englewood, Colorado 80112

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

January 6, 2004

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of Rule 13d-1(e), 13d-1(f) or 13d-1(g), check the following box []

Note. Schedules filed in paper format shall include a signed original and five copies of the schedule, including all exhibits. See Rule 13d-7 for other parties to whom copies are to be sent.

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person s initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, (the Act) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1.	Names of Reporting Pers Liberty Media Corpor 84-1288730	ons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).	
2.	Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions) (a) [] (b) []		
3.	SEC Use Only		
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4.	Source of Funds (See Inst 00	tructions)	
5.	Check if Disclosure of Le	egal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e) []	
6.	Citizenship or Place of O Delaware	rganization	
	7.	Sole Voting Power 6,956,341*	
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by	8.	Shared Voting Power 0	
Each Reporting Person	9.	Sole Dispositive Power 6,956,341*	
	10.	Shared Dispositive Power ()	
11.	Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person $6,\!956,\!341^*$		
12.	Check if the Aggregate A	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) []	
13.	Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (11) 9.1%**		
14.	Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions) CO		

^{*} Of the 6,956,341 shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by the Reporting Person, 6,102,000 shares are held through a subsidiary of the Reporting Person and an additional 854,341 shares are issuable to such subsidiary upon exercise of certain options. See Item 6 for a discussion of a forward sale transaction with respect to 6,102,000 shares of the Common Stock.

** Based on 75,194,277 shares of the Issuer s Common Stock issued and outstanding as of October 31, 2003, according to the Issuer s Form 10-Q filed with the SEC on November 14, 2003.

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D/A (Amendment No. 3)

Statement of

LIBERTY MEDIA CORPORATION

Pursuant to Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

in respect of

ARRIS GROUP, INC.

This Schedule 13D/A (Amendment No. 3) (this Statement) is being filed by Liberty Media Corporation for the purpose of amending and supplementing its Statement on Schedule 13D as originally filed on March 9, 1999 (the Original Filing) and amended by its Statements on Schedule 13D/A filed on June 20, 2002 and April 2, 2003 (as so amended, the Amended Filing), with respect to the Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share (Common Stock), of Arris Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the Issuer).

Item 2. Identity and Background

The text of Item 2 of the Amended Filing is amended and restated to read in its entirety as follows:

The reporting person is Liberty Media Corporation, a Delaware corporation (Liberty or the Reporting Person). Liberty is the beneficial owner of shares of Common Stock held of record by Liberty ANTC, Inc. (formerly known as TCI TSX, Inc.), a Colorado corporation and a subsidiary of the Reporting Person (Liberty ANTC). The principal business address of the Reporting Person is 12300 Liberty Boulevard, Englewood, Colorado 80112.

The Reporting Person is a holding company, which, through its ownership of interests in subsidiaries and affiliates, is primarily engaged in (i) electronic retailing, (ii) international cable television distribution, telephony and programming, and (iii) the production, acquisition and distribution through all available formats and media of branded entertainment, educational and informational programming and software. In addition, companies in which the Reporting Person owns interests are engaged in, among other things, (i) interactive commerce via the Internet, television and telephone, (ii) domestic cable and satellite broadband distribution services, and (iii) wireless domestic telephony and other technology ventures. The Reporting Person, through its subsidiaries and affiliated companies, operates in the United States, Europe, South America and Asia.

The prior Schedule 1 to the Amended Filing is hereby deleted in its entirety and is replaced by the Schedule 1 attached hereto which contains the following information concerning each director, executive officer and controlling person of Liberty: (i) name and residence or

business address, (ii) principal occupation or employment; and (iii) the name, principal business and address of any corporation or other organization in which such employment is conducted. To the knowledge of the Reporting Person, each of the persons named on Schedule 1 (the Schedule 1 Persons) is a United States citizen, except for David J.A. Flowers, who is a Canadian citizen. During the last five years, neither the Reporting Person nor, to the knowledge of the Reporting Person, any of the Schedule 1 Persons has been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors). During the last five years, neither the Reporting Person nor, to the knowledge of the Reporting Person, any of the Schedule 1 Persons has been a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and, as a result of such proceeding, is or was subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

The text of Item 4 of the Amended Filing is amended and restated to read in its entirety as follows:

The Reporting Person acquired and is continuing to hold its securities of the Issuer for investment purposes. Liberty ANTC, a subsidiary of the Reporting Person, has entered into a forward sale transaction with respect to 6,102,000 shares of Common Stock as described in Item 6 to this Statement, which description is incorporated herein by reference. The Reporting Person intends to continuously review its investment in the Issuer, and may in the future determine to (i) acquire additional securities of the Issuer, through open market purchases, private agreements or otherwise, (ii) dispose of all or a portion of the securities of the Issuer owned by it or (iii) take any other available course of action, which could involve one or more of the types of transactions or have one or more of the results described in the last paragraph of this Item 4. Notwithstanding anything contained herein, the Reporting Person specifically reserves the right to change its intention with respect to any or all of such matters. In reaching any decision as to its course of action (as well as to the specific elements thereof), the Reporting Person currently expects that it would take into consideration a variety of factors, including, but not limited to, the Issuer s business and prospects, other developments concerning the Issuer, other business opportunities available to the Reporting Person, other developments with respect to the business of the Reporting Person, general economic conditions and money and stock market conditions, including the market price of the securities of the Issuer.

Other than as set forth in this Statement, the Reporting Person has no present plans or proposals which relate to or would result in:

- (a) The acquisition by any person of additional securities of the Issuer, or the disposition of securities of the Issuer;
- (b) An extraordinary corporate transaction such as a merger, reorganization or liquidation, involving the Issuer or any of its subsidiaries;
- (c) A sale or transfer of a material amount of assets of the Issuer or of any of its subsidiaries;

- (d) Any change in the present board of directors or management of the Issuer, including any plans or proposals to change the number or term of directors or to fill any existing vacancies on the board;
- (e) Any material change in the present capitalization or dividend policy of the Issuer;
- (f) Any other material change in the Issuer s business or corporate structure;
- (g) Changes in the Issuer s charter, bylaws or instruments corresponding thereto or other actions which may impede the acquisition of control of the Issuer by any person;
- (h) A class of securities of the Issuer to be delisted from a national securities exchange or to cease to be authorized to be quoted in an inter-dealer quotation system of a registered national securities association;
- (i) A class of equity securities of the Issuer becoming eligible for termination of registration pursuant to Section 12(g)(4) of the Exchange Act; or
- (j) Any action similar to any of those enumerated in this Item.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

The text of Item 5 of the Amended Filing is amended and restated to read in its entirety as follows:

- (a) The Reporting Person beneficially owns 6,956,341 shares of Common Stock. Of the 6,956,341 shares of Common Stock beneficially owned, 6,102,000 shares are held through Liberty ANTC, a subsidiary of the Reporting Person, and an additional 854,341 shares may be acquired by such subsidiary upon the exercise of options (the Options). The 6,956,341 shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by the Reporting Person represent approximately 9.1% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock (based on 75,194,277 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of October 31, 2003, according to the Issuer s Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 14, 2003). 6,102,000 shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by the Reporting Person are subject to the forward sale transaction described in Item 6 to this Statement.
- To the best knowledge of the Reporting Person, none of the Schedule 1 Persons has any interest in any securities of the Issuer, except that Larry E. Romrell, a director of the Reporting Person, owns (i) 22,500 stock units which convert to 22,500 shares of Common Stock pursuant to a predetermined schedule and (ii) options to purchase 16,200 shares of Common Stock.
- (b) Except as described in Item 6, the Reporting Person has the sole power to vote or to direct the voting of the shares of Common Stock that the Reporting Person beneficially owns. Except as described in Item 6, the Reporting Person has the sole power to dispose of, or to direct the disposition of, such shares of Common Stock.
- (c) Except as described below, neither the Reporting Person nor, to the knowledge of the Reporting Person, any of the Schedule 1 Persons, has executed transactions in the Common Stock of the Issuer during the past sixty (60) days. During the past sixty days, Liberty ANTC

effected the following sales of shares of Common Stock through a securities dealer:

Date of Sale	Number of shares of Common Stock sold	Per share price at which shares of Common Stock were sold
12/15/03	375,000	\$ 7.0972
12/16/03	100,000	\$ 7.0010
12/17/03	250,000	\$ 7.0308

- (d) Except as described in Item 6, there is no other person that has the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, the Common Stock beneficially owned by the Reporting Person.
- (e) Not applicable.

Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer

tem 6. the Issue

The text of Item 6 of the Amended Filing is amended and restated to read in its entirety as follows:

The arrangements described below exist with respect to the Common Stock.

(a) Option Agreements

The Reporting Person holds the Options described in Item 3 to the Amended Filing, which Item is hereby incorporated by reference herein.

(b) <u>Registration Rights Agreement</u>

The Reporting Person s subsidiary, Liberty ANTC (formerly TCI TSX, Inc.) is a party to the Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of October 29, 1996, between the Issuer and TCI TSX, Inc., (the Registration Rights Agreement) wherein the Issuer granted demand and incidental registration rights to such subsidiary with respect to all of the Common Stock beneficially owned by such subsidiary as of such date as well as to any Common Stock that such subsidiary might acquire during the term of the Registration Rights Agreement. A copy of the Registration Rights Agreement is filed as Exhibit 7(b) to the Amended Filing and is incorporated herein by reference, and the description of the Registration Rights Agreement contained herein is qualified in its entirety by the complete text of the Registration Rights Agreement.

(c) Forward Sale Transaction

On January 6, 2004, Liberty ANTC entered into a forward sale transaction with Merrill Lynch International (Counterparty) with respect to 6,102,000 shares of Common Stock. Pursuant to that transaction, Liberty ANTC is required to deliver 6,102,000 shares of Common Stock to Counterparty before September 30, 2004 in exchange for a payment of \$8.1302 per share plus interest (based on a LIBOR rate) on such amount from January 6, 2004 to the date such shares are delivered to Counterparty (the Forward Price). In lieu of delivering shares of Common Stock to Counterparty, Liberty ANTC has the option to settle the transaction in cash, in

which case the price of the shares of Common Stock at the time of settlement as determined by Counterparty (the Final Price) will be compared to the Forward Price. If the Forward Price exceeds the Final Price, Counterparty shall pay Liberty ANTC cash equal to the difference between the Forward Price and the Final Price with respect to each share of Common Stock subject to the transaction. If the Final Price exceeds the Forward Price, Liberty ANTC shall pay Counterparty cash equal to the difference between the Final Price and the Forward Price with respect to each share of Common Stock subject to the transaction. Liberty ANTC has pledged 6,102,000 shares of Common Stock to Counterparty to secure its obligations under the forward sale transaction and has granted Counterparty the right to sell, pledge, rehypothecate, assign, invest, use, commingle or otherwise dispose of or otherwise use in its business such pledged shares. If Counterparty elects to exercise such right with respect to any of such pledged shares, then during the period during which such right is exercised the Reporting Person will not have any voting rights or rights to receive dividends directly from the Issuer with respect to any such shares.

Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: January 7, 2004

LIBERTY MEDIA CORPORATION

By: /s/ Charles Y. Tanabe

Name: Charles Y. Tanabe

Title: Senior Vice President and General

Counsel

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Schedule 1 of the Amended Filing is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

SCHEDULE 1

DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF LIBERTY MEDIA CORPORATION

The name and present principal occupation of each director and executive officer of the Reporting Person are set forth below. Unless otherwise noted, the business address for each person listed below is c/o Liberty Media Corporation, 12300 Liberty Boulevard, Englewood, Colorado 80112. All executive officers and directors listed are United States citizens, except for David J.A. Flowers, who is a citizen of Canada.

Name and Business Address
(if applicable)

Principal Occupation and Principal
Business
(if applicable)

(if applicable)

John C. Malone Chairman of the Board and Director of Liberty

Robert R. Bennett President, Chief Executive Officer and Director of Liberty

Donne F. Fisher Director of Liberty; President of Fisher Capital Partners, Ltd.

9781 Meridian Blvd., #200 Englewood, Colorado 80112

Paul A. Gould Director of Liberty; Managing Director of Allen & Company Incorporated

711 5th Avenue, 8th Floor New York, New York 10022

Gary S. Howard Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer and Director of Liberty

Jerome H. Kern Director of Liberty; Consultant, Kern Consulting LLC

9033 East Easter Place, Suite 205 Centennial, Colorado 80112

David E. Rapley Director of Liberty

M. LaVoy Robison Director of Liberty; Executive Director and a Board Member of the

1727 Tremont Place Anschutz Foundation

Denver, Colorado 80202

Larry E. Romrell Director of Liberty

David J.A. Flowers Senior Vice President and Treasurer of Liberty

Elizabeth M. Markowski Senior Vice President of Liberty

Albert E. Rosenthaler Senior Vice President of Liberty

Christopher W. Shean Senior Vice President and Controller of Liberty

Charles Y. Tanabe Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of Liberty

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