VIALL JOHN S

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person _ VIALL JOHN S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			LIN TV CORP [TVL]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
C/O LIN TV CORP, FOUR RICHMOND SQUARE (Street)			12/22/2005	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specif			
				below) VP, Engineering & Operations			
			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			

PROVIDENCE, RI 02906

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

(,)	()	Table	I - Non-De	rivative Se	curities A	cquirea, Disposea o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securit	ies Acquir	red 5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction(A) or Disposed of			Securities	Ownership	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(D)		Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4	4 and 5)	Owned	(D) or	Ownership
		•				Following	Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)	Reported	(Instr. 4)	
					(A)	Transaction(s)		
			C + V	A	or (D) D	. (Instr. 3 and 4)		
_			Code V	Amount	(D) Pr	ice (III)		
Common								
Stock	12/22/2005		M	33,333	A \$	0 45,555	D	
(restricted)								

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)

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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 orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 0 (1)	12/22/2005		M		37,500	01/13/2004	01/13/2013	Class A Common Stock	37,500
Stock Options	\$ 0 (1)	12/22/2005		M		18,750	03/18/2005	03/18/2014	Class A Common Stock	18,750
Stock Options	\$ 0 (1)	12/22/2005		M		25,000	02/13/2005	02/13/2014	Class A Common Stock	25,000
Stock Options	\$ 0 (1)	12/22/2005		M		18,750	05/02/2004	05/02/2013	Class A Common Stock	18,750

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

VIALL JOHN S C/O LIN TV CORP FOUR RICHMOND SQUARE PROVIDENCE, RI 02906

VP, Engineering & Operations

Signatures

/s/ Peter E. Maloney, Attorney-in-fact for John S. Viall

12/22/2005

**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).
- Pursuant to the Company's exchange offer to exchange existing stock options for restricted stock on a 3 to 1 ratio, Executive surrended a total of 100,000 options in receipts for a grant of 33,333 shares of restricted stock. The restricted stock received vests in five equal annual installments from July 2006 to July 2010.

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