#### SALEM COMMUNICATIONS CORP /DE/

Form 4

March 17, 2006

# FORM 4

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

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**SECURITIES** 

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

**EVANS DAVID** 

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

4880 SANTA ROSA ROAD

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

SALEM COMMUNICATIONS

Symbol

CORP/DE/[SALM] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

03/15/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

OMB

Number:

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title below)

EVP-Bus. Dev. and CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) \_X\_ 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

CAMARILLO, CA 93012 (City) (State)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Beneficial (T) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares Stock Class A Option \$ 13.51 03/15/2006 A 20,000 03/15/2007 03/15/2015 Common 20,000 (right to Stock buy)

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

**EVANS DAVID** 

4880 SANTA ROSA ROAD EVP-Bus. Dev. and CFO

CAMARILLO, CA 93012

# **Signatures**

Jonathan L. Block, Attorney-in-fact for David A.R. Evans pursuant to a continuing power of attorney 03/17/2006

\*\*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).

### **Remarks:**

- (1) -The option vests in four equal installments, commencing on March 15, 2007.
- (2)

-Each installment of the option expires on the fifth anniversary of the vesting date. The last installment to vest will expire on the vest will expire on the vest wil

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