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Transactions Reported

1. Name and Add EPPERSON S	*	ing Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SALEM COMMUNICATIONS CORP /DE/ [SALM]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 3780 WILL S	(First) CARLET R	(Middle)	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2011	X DirectorX 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman of the Board			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line)			

WINSTON-SALEM, NCÂ 27104

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(City)	(State)	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. Securi (A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Class A Common Stock	11/30/2011	Â	P4	9,600	A	\$ 2.69	2,867,822	D (1)	Â	
Class A Common Stock	11/30/2011	Â	P4	4,000	A	\$ 2.521	2,871,822	D (1)	Â	
Class A Common Stock	11/30/2011	Â	P4	400	A	\$ 2.725	2,872,222	D (1)	Â	

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Class A Common Stock	12/28/2011	Â	G	8,880	D	\$ (2)	2,863,342	D (1)	Â
Class A Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	1,012,520	I	By Children's Trust (3)
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.			Persons we contained the form d	SEC 2270 (9-02)					

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)		ate	Amor Unde Secur	le and unt of rlying rities : 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
and a sum of the sum o	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
EPPERSON STUART W 3780 WILL SCARLET ROAD WINSTON-SALEM, NC 27104	ÂX	ÂX	Chairman of the Board	Â				

Signatures

/s/Christopher J. Henderson Attorney-in-fact for Stuart W. Epperson pursuant to a continuing power of attorney

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**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) Stuart W. Epperson and Nancy A. Epperson, as Joint Tenants.
- (2) Stuart W. Epperson and Nancy A. Epperson jointly gifted five hundred and fifty-five (555) shares of Class A Common Stock to a custodial account for each of sixteen (16) grandchildren, for a total gift of eight thousand, eight hundred and eighty (8,880) shares. Stuart

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- W. Epperson and Nancy A. Epperson have not retained any voting or dispositive power over such gifted shares.
- (3) Stuart W. Epperson as Trustee of each of the four (4) Epperson Children's Trusts for all purposes other than voting matters.

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