

SCHAEFFER DAVE
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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 *
 SCHAEFFER DAVE

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 COGENT COMMUNICATIONS GROUP INC [CCOI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1015 31ST ST., NW
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/30/2009

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Chairman, President & CEO

WASHINGTON, DC 20007

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Following 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) Price | | | |
| common stock | 12/30/2009 ⁽¹⁾ | | M | 76,930 A \$ 0 | 2,292,471 ⁽²⁾ | D | |

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 Derivative 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V (A) (D) | | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title | |
| Option to purchase common stock ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 0 ⁽¹⁾ | 12/30/2009 ⁽¹⁾ | | M | 76,930 | 11/01/2006 09/08/2014 | common stock | 76,930 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SCHAEFFER DAVE 1015 31ST ST., NW WASHINGTON, DC 20007 | | X | Chairman, President & CEO | |

Signatures

David Schaeffer 12/30/2009
 **Signature of Date
 Reporting Person

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) On December 30, 2009 Mr. Schaeffer exercised options for 76,930 shares of common stock at an aggregate price of \$20.01, or \$0.00026 per share.
- (2) A portion of these securities is not vested or is subject to forfeiture under certain circumstances. This amount includes 6,750 shares that are held by Mr. Schaeffer's Descendant's Trust. Mr. Schaeffer disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.

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