FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* FREEDLINE ROBERT G						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VIACOM INC [VIA, VIAB]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP, Treasurer				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1515 BROADWAY					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/26/2005														
(Street) NEW YORK NY 10036 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. li	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
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Employee Stock Option (right to buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$37.38	01/26/2005			A		59,962		(2)	0	01/26/2013	Class B common stock	59,962	(1)	59,96	2	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Right to buy under Issuer's long term incentive plan.
- $2.\ This\ option\ vests\ in\ four\ equal\ annual\ installments\ beginning\ on\ January\ 26,\ 2006.$

/s/ Freedline, Robert G. 01/28/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

 $Reminder: Report \ on \ a \ separate \ line \ for \ each \ class \ of \ securities \ beneficially \ owned \ directly \ or \ indirectly.$

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