## FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>ABRAMS GEORGE S</u> |   |                      |                        |                                     |   | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VIACOM INC [ VIA, VIAB ] |  |                 |  |        |                        |   |  |   | of Reporti<br>cable)<br>or  | ing Per                                    | son(s) to Is<br>10% (   |   |  |
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| (Last)<br>1515 BR   | (Fi   | irst)                | (Middle)               |                                     |   | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/15/2004          |  |                 |  |        |                        |   |  |   | Officer (give title below)  |  | Other<br>below  | (specify                                |  |
| (Street) NEW YO   |   |                      | 10036                  |                                     | 4.1                                     | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)             |  |                 |  |        |                        |   |  | 6. 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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| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa<br>Date               |   | 2. Transac           | tion                   | on 2A. De<br>Execu<br>/Year) if any |   | Deemed<br>ecution Date,  |  | ction<br>Instr. | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an |        |                        | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following                                       |  | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4)   |   | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |   |   |  |
|   |   |                      |                        |                                     |   |  |  |                 | Code   | v      | Amount                 | (A) or<br>(D)   | Price                                  | Reported<br>Transacti<br>(Instr. 3 a  |   |  |   | (Instr. 4)                              |  |
| Class B c   | ommon sto   | ck                   |                        | 10/15/2                             | 2004                                    |  |  |                 | M  |        | 11,000                 | Α   | \$18.937                               | 375 23,000 D  |   |  |   |   |  |
| Class B c   | ommon sto   | ck                   |                        |                                     |   |  |  |                 |  |        |                        |   |  | 400 I   |   |  |   | As<br>executor <sup>(1)</sup>           |  |
|   |   | 7                    | Γable I                |                                     |   |  |  |                 |  |        | posed of,<br>convertil |   |  | Owned   |   |  |   |   |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)             | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | ise (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if any |                                     | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |  | 5. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D) (Instr.<br>3, 4 and 5) |                 | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)   |        | ate                    | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr. 3<br>and 4) |  | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5)   | 9. Numb<br>derivativ<br>Securitie<br>Beneficia<br>Owned<br>Followin<br>Reported<br>Transact<br>(Instr. 4) | ve<br>es<br>ally<br>ig<br>d<br>tion(s)     | 10.<br>Ownershi<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirec<br>(I) (Instr. 4 | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>t (Instr. 4) |  |
|   |   |                      |                        |                                     | Code                                    | v  | (A)  | (D)             | Date<br>Exerc  | isable | Expiration<br>Date     | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |   |  |   |   |  |
| Director<br>Stock<br>option<br>(right to                        | \$18.9375   | 10/15/2004           |                        |                                     | M                                       |  |  | 11,000          | (3   | 3)     | 11/08/2004             | Class B<br>common<br>stock  | 11,000                                 | \$0   | 0   |  | D   |   |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or any other purposes
- 2. Right to buy under Issuer's 1994 Stock Option Plan for Outside Directors.
- 3. Current

By: /s/ Michael D. Fricklas, 10/19/2004 Attorney-in-Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- \* 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).

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