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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

Common

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Ciarfella Mark R Issuer Symbol SBA COMMUNICATIONS CORP (Check all applicable) [SBAC] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) below) C/O SBA COMMUNICATIONS 03/09/2012 SVP - Operations CORPORATION, 5900 BROKEN SOUND PARKWAY, NW (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting BOCA RATON, FL 33487 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Form: Direct Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Class A Common 03/09/2012 M 7,303 8.823 D Stock Class A 7,303 D

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

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | Securities | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|------------|-------|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 32.39 | | | | | | <u>(1)</u> | 02/28/2015 | Class A Common Stock | 12,000 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 19.68 | 03/09/2012 | | M | | 7,303 | <u>(2)</u> | 03/05/2016 | Class A Common Stock | 7,303 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 35.71 | | | | | | (3) | 03/04/2017 | Class A Common Stock | 12,626 |
| Restricted Stock Units | <u>(4)</u> | | | | | | <u>(5)</u> | <u>(5)</u> | Class A Common Stock | 1,441 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 42.15 | | | | | | <u>(6)</u> | 03/04/2018 | Class A Common Stock | 14,622 |
| Restricted Stock Units | <u>(4)</u> | | | | | | <u>(7)</u> | <u>(7)</u> | Class A Common Stock | 2,524 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 47.52 | | | | | | (8) | 03/06/2019 | Class A Common Stock | 15,801 |
| Restricted Stock Units | <u>(4)</u> | | | | | | <u>(9)</u> | <u>(9)</u> | Class A Common Stock | 3,494 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Ciarfella Mark R C/O SBA COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION 5900 BROKEN SOUND PARKWAY, NW BOCA RATON, FL 33487

SVP - Operations

Signatures

/s/ Joshua M. Koenig, Attorney-in-Fact

03/09/2012

**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) These options are immediately exercisable.
- (2) These options vest in accordance with the following schedule: 7,303 vest on each of the first through third anniversaries of the grant date and 7,304 vest on the fourth anniversary of the grant date (March 5, 2009).
- (3) These options vest in accordance with the following schedule: 3,156 vest on each of the first and third anniversaries of the grant date and 3,157 vest on each of the second and fourth anniversaries of the grant date (March 4, 2010).
- (4) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Class A Common Stock.
- (5) These restricted stock units vest in accordance with the following schedule: 720 vest on each of the first through third anniversaries of the grant date and 721 vest on the fourth anniversary of the grant date (March 4, 2010).
- These options vest in accordance with the following schedule: 3,655 vest on each of the first and third anniversaries of the grant date and 3,656 vest on each of the second and fourth anniversaries of the grant date (March 4, 2011).
- (7) These restricted stock units vest in accordance with the following schedule: 841 vest on each of the first through third anniversaries of the grant date and 842 vest on the fourth anniversary of the grant date (March 4, 2011).
- (8) These options vest in accordance with the following schedule: 3,950 vest on each of the first through third anniversaries of the grant date and 3,951 vest on the fourth anniversary of the grant date (March 6, 2012).
- (9) These restricted stock units vest in accordance with the following schedule: 873 vest on each of the first and the third anniversary of the grant date and 874 vest on each of the second and the fourth anniversary of the grant date (March 6, 2012).

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