CUMULUS MEDIA INC

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Berner Mary G.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(First) (Middle) (Last)

CUMULUS MEDIA INC [CMLS]

(Check all applicable)

C/O CUMULUS MEDIA, 3280 PEACHTREE ROAD NW SUITE 2300

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 10/13/2015

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Chief Executive Officer

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

ATLANTA, GA 30305

(City)

(Instr. 3)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(State)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of 6. Ownership Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned (I) (Instr. 4) Following Reported

Transaction(s)

(A) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

1. Title of Derivative Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

5. Number of TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Indirect

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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. | 8) | Securities Acquired (A) Disposed of (I (Instr. 3, 4, an | D) | (Month/Day/Year) | | (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|--|---|------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----|--|-----|---------------------|--------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount of Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 0.77 | 10/13/2015 | | A | | 4,000,000 | | (1)(2)(3) | 10/13/2025 | Class A Stock, \$.01 par value | 4,000,00 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| and the state of t | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| Berner Mary G. C/O CUMULUS MEDIA 3280 PEACHTREE ROAD NW SUITE 2300 ATLANTA, GA 30305 | X | | Chief Executive Officer | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Richard S. Denning, Attorney-In-Fact

**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) Stock option grant to purchase 4,000,000 shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock at an exercise price equal to the fair market value on the date of grant.
- (2) The option to purchase 2,000,000 shares vests on each of the first four anniversaries of the date of grant, with 30% of the award vesting on each of the first two anniversaries thereof, and 20% of the award vesting on each of the next two anniversaries thereof.
 - The option to purchase the other 2,000,000 shares ("Performance-Vesting Options") is divided into four equal performance tranches (500,000 shares per tranche). Each tranche of Performance-Vesting Options vests pro rata on each of the first four anniversaries of the date of grant, with 30% of the respective tranche vesting on each of the first two anniversaries thereof, and 20% of the respective tranche
- date of grant, with 30% of the respective tranche vesting on each of the first two anniversaries thereof, and 20% of the respective tranche vesting on each of the next two anniversaries thereof. The tranches become exercisable, if at all, if following vesting the volume-weighted average closing sales price of the Company's Class A Common Stock on the NASDAQ composite transactions reporting system for each 30 consecutive trading days ending with the date of determination is \$2.00, \$3.00, \$4.00, and \$5.00, respectively.

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