

LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS INC.  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 RACHESKY MARK H MD

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 LORAL SPACE & COMMUNICATIONS INC. [LORL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 40 WEST 57TH STREET, 24TH FLOOR  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 05/19/2009

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

NEW YORK, NY 10019

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)	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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction of Derivative	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Pr
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	05/19/2009	A		5,000		<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	5,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RACHESKY MARK H MD 40 WEST 57TH STREET, 24TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019	X		X	

## Signatures

/s/ Hal Goldstein, Attorney in Fact  
 Date: 05/21/2009  
 \*\*Signature of 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) Each restricted stock unit has a value equal to one share of the Issuer's voting common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), and generally provides the recipient with the right to receive one share of Common Stock or cash equal to one share of Common Stock, at the option of the Issuer, on the settlement date.
- (2) The restricted stock units vest in two equal annual installments beginning on May 19, 2010, provided the grantee remains a director through the applicable vesting date. Vested shares (or cash equal to the value of such shares, in the Issuer's discretion) will generally be delivered to the grantee on the earliest of (a) the date of the grantee's death; (b) the date the grantee undergoes a Separation from Service with the Issuer (as defined in the applicable treasury regulations) and (c) the date of consummation of a Change of Control (as defined in the applicable treasury regulations).

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