FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] <u>Hardy Ralph E</u> | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol National CineMedia, Inc. [NCMI] | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner | | | | |
|--|---|--|---|---------|---|---|--|------|--|--------|--|-----------------|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| | Last) (First) (Middle) C/O NATIONAL CINEMEDIA, INC. 0110 E. NICHOLS AVE., SUITE 200 | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/12/2012 | | | | | | | | | | Other (s below) & Secretar | ry |
| (Street) CENTENNIAL CO 80112-3405 | | | | | _ 4. _ | 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 | | | | |
| (City) | (S | tate) | (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Tak | ole I - Nor | n-Deri | vativ | e Se | curities | s Ac | quired, I | Disp | osed o | f, or Be | neficial | ly Owne | d | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/Date) | | | | | | Execution Date, | | | , Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. 5) | | ities Acquired (A) or d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and | | Benefi Owned | es Formally (D) (Following (I) (I | | n: Direct or Indirect onstr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | ınt (A) or (D) | | | action(s) . 3 and 4) | | | (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock 01/12/2 | | | | | | .012 ⁽¹⁾ | | A | | 31,870 | 31,870 ⁽²⁾ A | | 8 | 87,242 | | D | | |
| | | | Table II - | | | | | | uired, Di | | | | | Owned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution E if any (Month/Day | Date, T | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year | | of Securit | | ng e Security | 8. Price o Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4) | e s lly | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisabl | | expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | |
| Employee stock option (right to | \$13.14 | 01/12/2012 ⁽¹⁾ | | | A | | 19,122 | | (3) | 0 | 1/12/2022 | Common Stock | 19,122 | \$0 | 19,12 | 2 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. On January 12, 2012, the compensation committee of National CineMedia, Inc. (the "Issuer") approved the grant of restricted stock and stock options to the reporting person.
- 2. Represents shares of restricted stock which will vest based upon achievement of specified performance targets at the end of a two-year (as to 12,748 shares) or three-year (as to 19,122 shares) measuring period.
- 3. The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on January 12, 2013.

Remarks:

/s/ Jennifer A. D'Alessandro, as 01/17/2012 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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