

COMMONWEALTH INSURANCE CO  
Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â FAIRFAX FINANCIAL HOLDINGS LTD/ CAN</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>95 WELLINGTON STREET WEST,Â SUITE 800</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>TORONTO, ONTARIO,Â A6Â M5J 2N7</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>11/04/2008</p>	<p>3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>LEVEL 3 COMMUNICATIONS INC [LVL3]</p>	<p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below)</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value (?Shares?)	139,276,421	I	See Footnote <sup>(1)</sup>

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
9% Convertible Senior Discount Notes due 2013 (?Notes?)	04/24/2004	Â (2)	Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	29,499,749	\$ (3)	I	See Footnote (4)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FAIRFAX FINANCIAL HOLDINGS LTD/ CAN 95 WELLINGTON STREET WEST SUITE 800 TORONTO, ONTARIO,Â A6Â M5J 2N7	Â	Â X	Â	Â
Northbridge Financial CORP 105 ADELAIDE STREET WEST 7TH FLOOR TORONTO, ONTARIO,Â A6Â M5H 1P9	Â	Â X	Â	Â
MARKEL INSURANCE CO OF CANADA 55 UNIVERSITY AVENUE SUITE 1500 TORONTO, ONTARIO,Â A6Â M5J 2H7	Â	Â X	Â	Â
COMMONWEALTH INSURANCE CO 595 BURRARD STREET, SUITE 1500 BOX 49115 BENTALL TOWER III VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA,Â A1Â V7X 1G4	Â	Â X	Â	Â
Federated Insurance CO of Canada 717 PORTAGE AVENUE WINNIPEG, MANITOBA,Â A2Â R3C 3C9	Â	Â X	Â	Â
LOMBARD GENERAL INSURANCE CO OF CANADA 105 ADELAIDE STREET WEST 3RD FLOOR TORONTO, ONTARIO,Â A6Â M5H 1P9	Â	Â X	Â	Â
Lombard Insurance CO 105 ADELAIDE STREET WEST 3RD FLOOR TORONTO, ONTARIO,Â A6Â M5H 1P9	Â	Â X	Â	Â
Fairfax (Barbados) International Corp. C/O FAIRFAX FINANCIAL HOLDINGS LIMITED 95 WELLINGTON STREET WEST, SUITE 800 TORONTO, ONTARIO,Â A6Â M5J 2N7	Â	Â X	Â	Â

## Signatures

BY: /s/ Paul Rivett, NAME: Paul Rivett, TITLE: Vice President	11/14/2008
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
BY: /s/ Craig Pinnock, NAME: Craig Pinnock, TITLE: Chief Financial Officer	11/14/2008
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
BY: /s/ Craig Pinnock, NAME: Craig Pinnock, TITLE: Director	11/14/2008
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__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
BY: /s/ Craig Pinnock, NAME: Craig Pinnock, TITLE: Director	11/14/2008
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
BY: /s/ Ronald Schokking, NAME: Ronald Schokking, TITLE: Chairman	11/14/2008
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) 47,852,200 Shares are held by Odyssey America Reinsurance Corporation, 45,035,021 Shares are held by Fairfax (Barbados) International Corp., 24,389,200 Shares are held by United States Fire Insurance Company, 6,626,500 Shares are held by Lombard General Insurance Company of Canada, 4,960,000 Shares are held by TIG Insurance Company, 4,504,000 Shares are held by Commonwealth Insurance Company, 2,510,000 Shares are held by Markel Insurance Company of Canada, 1,306,500 Shares are held by Federated Insurance Company of Canada, 1,193,000 Shares are held by Lombard Insurance Company and 900,000 Shares are held by pension plans of certain subsidiaries of Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited.
  - (2) The Notes are convertible into Shares at the option of the holder thereof at any time prior to the close of business on the last trading day immediately preceding October 15, 2013, the maturity date of the Notes.
  - (3) The Notes are convertible into Shares based on a conversion price of \$9.991 per Share, subject to adjustment under certain circumstances.
  - (4) \$294,732,000 aggregate principal amount of Notes is held by a trust all of the ownership interests of which are held by subsidiaries of Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited.

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