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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

 ABRAMS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.

(Last)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year) 05/07/2012

(First)

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ARBITRON INC [ARB]

222 BERKELEY STREET,

22ND FLOOR.Â

(Street)

(Middle)

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting

Person

X Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

BOSTON. MAÂ 02116

(City) (State)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

2,715,943

2. Amount of Securities

3. Ownership 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

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(Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect

(I) (Instr. 5)

See Footnotes (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially

owned directly or indirectly.

Common Stock

SEC 1473 (7-02)

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

(Instr. 4)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)

2. Date Exercisable and 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security

4. 5. Ownership Conversion or Exercise Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Price of Derivative Derivative Security:

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Date Expiration Title Exercisable Date

Amount or Security Number of Shares

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Direct (D)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships			
reporting owner name / rearess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
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ABRAMS CAPITAL LLC 222 BERKELEY STREET 22ND FLOOR BOSTON, MA 02116	Â	ÂX	Â	Â	
Abrams David C 222 BERKELEY STREET 22ND FLOOR BOSTON, MA 02116	Â	ÂX	Â	Â	

Signatures

/s/ Abrams Capital Management, L.P., by Abrams Capital Management, LLC, the General Partner, by David C. Abrams, Managing Member	
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Abrams Capital Management, LLC, by David C. Abrams, Managing Member	
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Abrams Capital, LLC, by David C. Abrams, Managing Member	05/17/2012
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ David C. Abrams	05/17/2012
**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).
- These securities are held by investment funds, the general partner and/or investment adviser of which is directly or indirectly controlled by David C. Abrams. In such capacity, Mr. Abrams may be deemed to beneficially own the reported securities.
 - These securities are held by investment funds for which Abrams Capital Management, L.P. (the "LP") serves as investment adviser.
- (2) Abrams Capital Management, LLC (the "LLC") serves as the general partner of the LP. In their respective capacities, each of the LP and the LLC may be deemed to beneficially own the reported securities.
- (3) A portion of these securities are held by investment funds for which Abrams Capital, LLC ("Abrams Capital") serves as general partner. In such capacity, Abrams Capital may be deemed to beneficially own the reported securities.

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- Each Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein, and (4) the inclusion of such securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (5) As of May 2, 2012, Abrams Capital may be deemed to beneficially own 2,542,807 shares of Common Stock and Mr. Abrams, the LP and the LLC may be deemed to beneficially own 2,715,943 shares of Common Stock.

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