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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

Powers David

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

03/06/2006

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

PENTON MEDIA INC [PTON]

(Check all applicable)

4. Relationship of Reporting

Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

PENTON MEDIA, INC., Â 1300 **EAST 9TH STREET**

(Street)

X Director Officer

10% Owner _Other (give title below) (specify below)

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

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

CLEVELAND, OHÂ 44114

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership

(I) (Instr. 5)

Form: Direct (D)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

Ownership (Instr. 5)

or Indirect

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

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

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

Date Exercisable Date

Expiration Title

Amount or Number of Shares

Derivative Security

Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

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(Instr. 5)

None $\underline{\text{(1)}}$ \hat{A} $\underline{\text{(1)}}$ \hat{A} $\underline{\text{(1)}}$ none $\underline{\text{(1)}}$ $\underline{\text{(1)}}$ \hat{A}

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Powers David

PENTON MEDIA, INC. 1300 EAST 9TH STREET CLEVELAND, OHÂ 44114

X Â Â Â

Signatures

David R. Powers 03/16/2006

**Signature of Date

Reporting Person

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).

David R. Powers is the sole shareholder of DRP Corp., which is a general partner of Sandler Capital Management, which is the general partner of Sandler Investment Partners, L.P., which is the general partner of each of Sandler Capital Partners V, L.P., Sandler Capital Partners V FTE, L.P. and Sandler Capital Partners V Germany, L.P. (collectively, the "Sandler V Partnerships"). The Sandler V

Partnerships own Series C Convertible Preferred Stock, par value \$.01 per share (the "Preferred Stock"), and warrants (the "Warrants") to purchase shares of the Issuer's Common Stock. Assuming full conversion of the Preferred Stock and Warrants, the Sandler V Partnerships may be deemed to beneficially own a total of 3,207,262 shares of Common Stock. Mr. Powers disclaims beneficial ownership in such securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, if any. Mr. Powers disclaims beneficial ownership in these securities for Section 16 purposes and all other purposes.

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Remarks:

No securities are beneficially owned.

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