Nielsen Holdings N.V. Form 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

Rao Gnaneshwar B.

C/O THOMAS H. LEE

PARTNERS, L.P., Â 100 FEDERAL STREET, 35TH

(Last)

FLOOR

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zip)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

12/19/2013

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

Nielsen Holdings N.V. [NLSN]

4. Relationship of Reporting

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X Director Officer Other

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

BOSTON, MAÂ 02110

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security

(City)

(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect

(Instr. 5)

Common Stock

25,065,750 (1) (2) (3) (4)

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

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**

Conversion or Exercise

Ownership Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

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(Instr. 4) Price of Derivative Derivative Security: Date **Expiration Title** Amount or Security Direct (D) Exercisable Number of or Indirect Shares (I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Rao Gnaneshwar B.

C/O THOMAS H. LEE PARTNERS, L.P.
100 FEDERAL STREET, 35TH FLOOR

Relationships

Other

Signatures

Reporting Person

BOSTON, MAÂ 02110

/s/ Gnaneshwar
B. Rao

**Signature of Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
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- (1) Equity Fund VI Investors (VNO), E.F., The Equity Fund VI Investors (VNO) II, E.F., The Equity Fund VI Inves
 - (continuation of Footnote 1) Putnam Investments Employees' Securities Company II LLC and Putnam Investments Employees' Securities Company III LLC. Thomas H. Lee Advisors (Alternative) VI, Ltd. ("Advisors VI Ltd.") is the general partner of THL Advisors (Alternative) VI, L.P. ("Advisors VI"), which in turn is the general partner of each of Alternative Fund VI, Alternative Parallel VI,
- (2) Alternative DT VI, THL Equity Fund VI Investors (VNU), L.P., THL Equity Fund VI Investors (VNU) II, L.P. and THL Equity Fund VI Investors (VNU) III, L.P. and the managing member of THL Equity Fund VI Investors (VNU) IV, LLC. Thomas H. Lee Advisors (Alternative) V Limited LDC ("LDC") is the general partner of THL Advisors (Alternative) V, L.P. ("Advisors V"), which in turn is the general partner of each of Alternative Fund V, Alternative Parallel V, and Alternative Cayman V.
 - (continuation of Footnote 1) THL Coinvestment Partners, L.P. and Thomas H. Lee Investors Limited Partnership are affiliates of Thomas H. Lee Partners, L.P. that co-invest alongside Alternative Fund VI and Alternative Fund V. Putnam Investments Holdings, LLC, Putnam Investments Employees' Securities Company II LLC and Putnam Investments Employees' Securities Company II LLC are putnamed by the Partnership Fund VI and Putnamed VI and VI and
- (3) Investments Employees Securities Company ILLC, Putnam investments Employees Securities Company ILLC and Putnam Investments Employees Securities Company IILLC and Putnam Investments Employees Securities Company IIILLC are each contractually obligated to coinvest alongside either Alternative Fund VI or Alternative Fund V and therefore Advisors VI and LDC may be deemed to have shared voting and investment power over the shares held by these entities.
- (continuation of Footnote 1) The reporting person is a managing director of Thomas H. Lee Partners, L.P. By virtue of the relationships
 (4) described above, the reporting person may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of the Issuer owned directly by each of these entities.
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