

Digital Music Group, Inc.
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 BALLARD Michalson B
 (Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement
 (Month/Day/Year)
 07/10/2007

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Digital Music Group, Inc. [DMGI]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

2151 RIVER PLAZA DR., SUITE 200

(Check all applicable)

(Street)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
 ___X___ Officer ____ Other
 (give title below) (specify below)
 Vice President-Operations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 ___X___ Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

SACRAMENTO, CA 95833-3881
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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 | 15 | D | |

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 Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|---|--|--|---|
| | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title Amount or Number of | | | |

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| | | | | Shares | | (I) (Instr. 5) | |
|---|-------|------------|-----------------|--------|---------|-------------------|---|
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | Â (1) | 06/02/2013 | Common stock | 8,000 | \$ 6.5 | D | Â |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | Â (2) | 04/17/2014 | Common stock | 10,000 | \$ 4.99 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BALLARD Michalson B 2151 RIVER PLAZA DR., SUITE 200 SACRAMENTO, CA 95833-3881 | Â | Â | Â Vice President-Operations | Â |

Signatures

/s/ Barth Ballard 07/10/2007

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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The option vested and became exercisable as to 25% of the shares on June 2, 2007 and 1/48 of the shares on July 2, 2007, and will vest
(1) and become exercisable as to 1/48 of the shares each month following July 2, 2007 for 35 months, provided that the Reporting Person continues to serve as an employee through each such vest date.

(2) The option will vest and become exercisable as to 25% of the shares on April 17, 2008 and 1/48 of the shares each month following April 17, 2008 for 36 months, provided that the Reporting Person continues to serve as an employee through each such vest date.

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