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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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|--|--|--|--|--|---|--|-----------|-------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---|--|---|--|---|--|--|
| Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Yeh Kuanling Amy |  |  |  |  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Media Alpha, Inc. [ MAX ] |  |           |                         |                           |                                       |   | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) |  |   |  |   |  |  |
| 1en Kuan   | <u>imig Amy</u>  | <u>-</u>                                   |  |  |   | 1  |           |                         | _                         |                                       |   |   | Director   |   |  | 10% Owr                                 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | — I  |   |  |           |                         |                           | X                                     | Officer (gir<br>below)  | ve title  |  | Other (specify below)                               |  |   |  |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)                                    |  |  |  |  |   | of Earliest  | Transact  | ion (Mon                | nth/Da                    | y/Year)                               |   |   | ,  | See Re  | emark  | S                                       |  |  |
| C/O MEDIAALPHA, INC.                                       |  |  |  |  | 10/30   | /2020  |           |                         |                           |                                       |   |   | See Remarks  |   |  |   |  |  |
| 700 SOUTH FLOWER STREET, SUITE 640                         |  |  |  |  |   |  |           |                         |                           |                                       |   |   |  |   |  |   |  |  |
| (Street)   |  |  |  |  | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)              |  |           |                         |                           |                                       | 6. Indiv  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)             |  |   |  |   |  |  |
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| (City)   | (Stat  | e) (.                                      | (Zip)  |  | Form nied by wore than One Reporting Person                           |  |           |                         |                           |                                       |   |   |  |   |  |   |  |  |
|  | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned   |  |  |  |   |  |           |                         |                           |                                       |   |   |  |   |  |   |  |  |
| Date   |  |  |  | saction 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) |   | 3.<br>Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 are Code (Instr. 4) or Code (Instr. 5) or Code (Instr. 5) or Code (Instr. 6) or Code (Instr. |           |                         |                           | Beneficially Owned Following Reported |   | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4)       |  | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership |  |   |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |   |  | Code      | v                       | Amount                    | unt (A) or Pr                         |   | Transaction<br>(Instr. 3 and  |  |   | "  | nstr. 4)                                |  |  |
| CLASS B COMMON STOCK <sup>(1)</sup> 10/3                   |  |  |  | 10/30  | /2020   |  |           | <b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup> | s <sup>(1)</sup> 40,044 D |                                       | (1)   | 227,761   |  |   | D  |   |  |  |
|  | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |  |  |  |   |  |           |                         |                           |                                       |   |   |  |   |  |   |  |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)        | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security  | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Da<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Y | Cod  | nsactio<br>de (Inst   | n Derivati<br>r. Securiti<br>Acquire<br>Dispose  |           |                         | te Securities Unde        |                                       | Inderlying<br>Security  | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5)                     | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following | e<br>es<br>ally<br>g                                | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>t (Instr. 4) |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Cod  | de V  | (A)  | (D)       | Date<br>Exercisable     |                           | Expiration<br>Date                    | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares                                     |  | Reported<br>Transaction(s<br>(Instr. 4)             |  |   |  |  |
| CLASS B-1<br>UNITS OF QL<br>HOLDINGS<br>LLC <sup>(1)</sup> | (2)  | 10/30/2020                                 |  | S  | 1)  |  | 40,044    | (2)                     | )                         | (2)                                   | CLASS A<br>COMMON<br>STOCK  | 40,044  | 0,044  |   | 61   | D                                       |  |  |
| RESTRICTED<br>STOCK<br>UNITS <sup>(3)</sup>                | (4)  | 10/30/2020                                 |  | A  |   | 183,777  | 183,777   |                         | )                         | (4) CLASS A COMMON STOCK              |   | 183,777   | (5)  | 183,777   |  | D                                       |  |  |

- 1. On October 27, 2020, MediaAlpha, Inc. (the "Issuer"), closed its initial public offering (the "IPO") of its shares of Class A common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Class A Common Stock"). A portion of the net proceeds to the Issuer from the sale of shares of Class A common stock in the IPO was used to purchase 40,044 Class B-1 units of QL Holdings LLC (the "Class B-1 Units" and "QLH", respectively) (together with an equivalent number of shares of Class B Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Class B Stock")) from the Reporting Person, at a price of \$17.67 per Class B-1 Unit (and no additional consideration for the shares of Class B Stock).
- 2. Pursuant to the Exchange Agreement, dated October 27, 2020, among the Issuer, QLH, Guilford Holdings, Inc. and the Class B-1 members of QLH, each Class B-1 Unit (together with one share of Class B Stock for every Class B-1 Unit) is exchangeable for one share of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, subject to vesting conditions set forth in separate agreements. Pursuant to the executive's award agreements, 25% of the equity granted will vest on the first anniversary of the vesting commencement date set forth in the agreement, and the remaining 75% of the equity will vest ratably each month over the following 36 months.
- 3. Represents grant of restricted stock units under the Issuer's Omnibus Incentive Plan granted in connection with the IPO, effective as of October 30, 2020.
- 4. The restricted stock units will vest quarterly over the first three years following the date of grant, subject to continued employment with the Issuer through each vesting date
- 5. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Class A Common Stock.

## Remarks:

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT, TECHNOLOGY

/s/ Lance Martinez, attorney-infact for Yeh Kuanling Amy

11/02/2020

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (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).

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