

FOSTER THOMAS J
Form 4
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
FOSTER THOMAS J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS INC [ATHR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/01/2005

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
____ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)
Vice President Sales

C/O ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS, INC., 529 ALMANOR AVENUE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

SUNNYVALE,, CA 94085

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price | | |
| Common Stock | 04/01/2005 | | M | | 10,000 A \$ 1.72 | 11,348 | D |
| Common Stock | 04/01/2005 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 200 D \$ 10.36 | 11,148 | D |
| Common Stock | 04/01/2005 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 100 D \$ 10.34 | 11,048 | D |
| Common Stock | 04/01/2005 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 700 D \$ 10.33 | 10,348 | D |
| | 04/01/2005 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 2,000 D | 8,348 | D |

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|--------------|------------|------------------|-------|---|----------|----------|---|
| Common Stock | | | | | | \$ 10.31 | |
| Common Stock | 04/01/2005 | S ⁽¹⁾ | 200 | D | \$ 10.14 | 8,148 | D |
| Common Stock | 04/01/2005 | S ⁽¹⁾ | 100 | D | \$ 10.11 | 8,048 | D |
| Common Stock | 04/01/2005 | S ⁽¹⁾ | 400 | D | \$ 10.1 | 7,648 | D |
| Common Stock | 04/01/2005 | S ⁽¹⁾ | 500 | D | \$ 10.06 | 7,148 | D |
| Common Stock | 04/01/2005 | S ⁽¹⁾ | 1,300 | D | \$ 10.04 | 5,848 | D |
| Common Stock | 04/01/2005 | S ⁽¹⁾ | 1,000 | D | \$ 10.02 | 4,848 | D |
| Common Stock | 04/01/2005 | S ⁽¹⁾ | 1,500 | D | \$ 10 | 3,348 | D |
| Common Stock | 04/01/2005 | S ⁽¹⁾ | 1,000 | D | \$ 9.99 | 2,348 | D |
| Common Stock | 04/01/2005 | S ⁽¹⁾ | 1,000 | D | \$ 9.98 | 1,348 | 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 Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 1.72 | 04/01/2005 | | M | 10,000 | 11/14/2001 ⁽²⁾ | 11/14/2011 | Common Stock | 10,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| FOSTER THOMAS J C/O ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS, INC. 529 ALMANOR AVENUE SUNNYVALE,, CA 94085 | | | Vice President Sales | |

Signatures

Bruce P. Johnson, 04/01/2005
 Attorney-in-fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan.
- All of the options became exercisable on 11/14/2001. The shares underlying the options are subject to the issuer's right of repurchase that
- (2) lapsed as to 25% of the shares on 11/5/2002, and lapses as to the remaining shares in 36 equal monthly installments beginning on 12/5/2002.

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