LAZAR JACK R Form 4 May 10, 2006

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

LAZAR JACK R			Symbol						Issuer (Check all applicable)			
		ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS INC [ATHR]										
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction					Director 10% Owner			
C/O ATHEROS				(Month/Day/Year)					X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
C/O ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS, INC., 5480		03/08/2	05/08/2006					Chief Financial Officer and VP				
	MERICA PAR											
	(Street)		4. If Ame	endment.	Da	te Original			6. Individual or Jo	oint/Group Filin	ıg(Check	
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	le I - Noi	n-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	iired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of	2. Transaction I	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1						5. Amount of	7. Nature of			
Security (Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Year	ar) Execution	on Date, if	ate, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				Securities Ownership Inc Beneficially Form: Direct Be	Indirect Beneficial			
		(Month	Day/Year) (Instr. 8)					Owned	Ownership			
									Following Reported	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
							(A) or		Transaction(s)			
				Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	05/08/2006			M		39,024	A	\$ 2.26	50,000	D		
Common Stock	05/08/2006			S(1)		2,500	D	\$ 25.8	47,500	D		
Common Stock	05/08/2006			S <u>(1)</u>		5,000	D	\$ 25.7	42,500	D		
Common Stock	05/08/2006			S <u>(1)</u>		5,000	D	\$ 25.65	37,500	D		
	05/08/2006			S(1)		5,000	D	\$ 25.6	32,500	D		

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Common Stock							
Common Stock	05/08/2006	S(1)	7,500	D	\$ 25.57	25,000	D
Common Stock	05/08/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	5,000	D	\$ 25.54	20,000	D
Common Stock	05/08/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	5,000	D	\$ 25.5	15,000	D
Common Stock	05/08/2006	S(1)	5,000	D	\$ 25.4	10,000	D
Common Stock	05/08/2006	S(1)	10,000	D	\$ 25.35	0	D

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	erivative Expiration Date eccurities (Month/Day/Year) cquired (A) Disposed of O) nstr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securition (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Options (right to	\$ 2.26	05/08/2006		M	39,024	10/03/2003(2)	10/03/2013	Common Stock	39,0

# **Reporting Owners**

buy)

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LAZAR JACK R C/O ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS, INC. 5480 GREAT AMERICA PARKWAY Chief Financial Officer and VP

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## **Signatures**

Bruce P. Johnson, Attorney-in-fact 05/10/2006

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## **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).

Date

- (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 10/03/2003. The shares underlying the options are subject to the issuer's right of repurchase
- (2) which lapses as to 25% of the shares on 09/29/2004, and lapses as to the remaining shares in 36 equal monthly installments beginning on 10/29/2004.

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