ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS INC

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HARRIS CHARLES E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS

05/24/2011

INC [ATHR]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O ATHEROS

COMMUNICATIONS, INC., 1700 TECHNOLOGY DRIVE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

SAN JOSE, CA 95110

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Securities Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) (D) Amount

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Common Stock

05/24/2011

D 34.935 (1)

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)

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		1 (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Director Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 33.12	05/24/2011		D	7,500	(2)	05/23/2020	Common Stock	7,500	
Director Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 8.41	05/24/2011		D	31,225	<u>(4)</u>	02/26/2019	Common Stock	31,225	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

HARRIS CHARLES E C/O ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS, INC. 1700 TECHNOLOGY DRIVE SAN JOSE,, CA 95110



Signatures

Bruce P. Johnson, Attorney-in-fact 05/24/2011

**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).
 - Disposed of pursuant to that certain Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of January 5, 2011 (the "Merger Agreement"), by and among Atheros Communications, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Issuer"), Qualcomm Incorporated, a Delaware corporation ("Qualcomm"),
- (1) and T Merger Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation and a wholly owned subsidiary of Qualcomm ("Merger Sub"), pursuant to which Merger Sub merged with and into the Issuer with the Issuer surviving the merger as a wholly owned subsidiary of Qualcomm (the "Merger"), in exchange for \$45.00 per share on the effective date of the Merger.
- (2) The options become exercisable in 48 equal monthly installments commencing on 6/24/2010. All of the options became exercisable upon the effective date of the Merger.
- (3) This option was cancelled and converted into the right to receive a cash payment equal to the number of shares of the Issuer's common stock underlying this option multiplied by the amount, if any, that \$45.00 exceeded the exercise price of this option, less any applicable

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withholding taxes, pursuant to the Merger Agreement.

(4) The options are fully vested and exercisable.

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