#### BETHUNE GORDON M

Form 4

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## FORM 4

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading BETHUNE GORDON M Issuer Symbol SPRINT NEXTEL CORP [S] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify 2001 EDMUND HALLEY DRIVE 08/12/2005 below) (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 RESTON, VA 20191 Person

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price \$0 Common 08/12/2005(1)  $10^{(2)}$ 7,781 D Stock

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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# **Reporting Owners**

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

BETHUNE GORDON M 2001 EDMUND HALLEY DRIVE X RESTON, VA 20191

## **Signatures**

/s/ Michael T. Hyde, 08/16/2005 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).
- These share units are issued under Sprint Nextel's 1997 Long-Term Stock Incentive Program. Each unit represents the right to receive one **(1)** share of the underlying security at a date in the future.
- (2) These share units vest 100% on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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