SPRINT NEXTEL CORP

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DRENDEL FRANK M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

SPRINT NEXTEL CORP [S]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

2001 EDMUND HALLEY DRIVE

(State)

(Zip)

08/12/2005

(Month/Day/Year)

below)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

(Street)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

RESTON, VA 20191

(City)

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

| 1.Title of Security | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 3. Transactio | 4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of | | 5. Amount of Securities | 6. Ownership Form: Direct | 7. Nature of Indirect | |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|---|--------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| (Instr. 3) | | any | Code | (D) | | Beneficially | (D) or | Beneficial | |
| | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | Owned Following | Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | (4) | | Reported | (111501. 7) | (111501. 4) |
| | | | | | (A) or | | Transaction(s) | | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | (D) | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 08/12/2005 | | A | 92,451 (1) | A | \$ 0 (1) | 92,451 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/12/2005(2) | | A | 10 (3) | A | \$ 0 (2) | 92,461 | 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) | 2 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|--------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amo or Num of Share |
| Non- Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) | \$ 13.35 | 08/12/2005 | | A | 7,800 | <u>(4)</u> | 09/13/2011 | Common Stock | 0 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) | \$ 9.16 | 08/12/2005 | | A | 13,000 | <u>(4)</u> | 08/20/2007 | Common Stock | O |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) | \$ 10.22 | 08/12/2005 | | A | 2,600 | <u>(4)</u> | 02/11/2008 | Common Stock | O |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) | \$ 11.75 | 08/12/2005 | | A | 2,600 | <u>(4)</u> | 02/18/2009 | Common Stock | 0 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) | \$ 47.64 | 08/12/2005 | | A | 39,000 | <u>(4)</u> | 02/17/2010 | Common Stock | Q |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) | \$ 17.16 | 08/12/2005 | | A | 39,000 | <u>(4)</u> | 02/20/2011 | Common Stock | 0 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) | \$ 6.65 | 08/12/2005 | | A | 7,800 | <u>(4)</u> | 09/28/2011 | Common Stock | O |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) | \$ 8.24 | 08/12/2005 | | A | 7,800 | <u>(4)</u> | 11/30/2011 | Common Stock | 0 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to | \$ 3.86 | 08/12/2005 | | A | 15,600 | <u>(4)</u> | 02/13/2012 | Common Stock | . 0 |

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| buy) | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Stock Option(right to | \$ 3.74 | 08/12/2005 | A | 7,800 | <u>(4)</u> | 05/31/2012 | Common Stock | C |
| Stock Option(right to | \$ 6.14 | 08/12/2005 | A | 7,800 | <u>(4)</u> | 09/06/2012 | Common Stock | O |
| Stock Option(right to | \$ 10.06 | 08/12/2005 | A | 7,800 | <u>(4)</u> | 12/03/2012 | Common Stock | 0 |
| Stock Option(right to | \$ 10.83 | 08/12/2005 | A | 15,600 | <u>(4)</u> | 02/28/2013 | Common Stock | 0 |
| Stock Option(right to | \$ 11.53 | 08/12/2005 | A | 4,875 | <u>(4)</u> | 05/30/2013 | Common Stock | 0 |
| Stock Option(right to | \$ 14.87 | 08/12/2005 | A | 4,875 | <u>(4)</u> | 08/29/2013 | Common Stock | 0 |
| Stock Option(right to | \$ 19.48 | 08/12/2005 | A | 4,875 | <u>(4)</u> | 11/28/2013 | Common Stock | 0 |
| Stock Option(right to | \$ 20.38 | 08/12/2005 | A | 4,875 | <u>(4)</u> | 02/27/2014 | Common Stock | 0 |
| Stock Option(right to | \$ 17.62 | 08/12/2005 | A | 4,875 | <u>(4)</u> | 05/27/2014 | Common Stock | C |
| Stock Option(right to | \$ 17.84 | 08/12/2005 | A | 4,875 | <u>(4)</u> | 08/31/2014 | Common Stock | 0 |
| Stock | \$ 21.89 | 08/12/2005 | A | 4,875 | <u>(4)</u> | 11/30/2014 | Common Stock | O |
| | Option(right to buy) Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) | Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) | Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) | Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) | Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) | Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) Non-Qualified Stock Option(rig | Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) Non-Qualified Stock Option(rig | Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) |

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| Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) | \$ 22.64 | 08/12/2005 | A | 4,875 | <u>(4)</u> | 02/24/2015 Common Stock |
|---|----------|------------|---|-------|------------|----------------------------|
| Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) | \$ 22.84 | 08/12/2005 | A | 4,875 | <u>(4)</u> | 05/26/2015 Common Stock |

0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DRENDEL FRANK M
2001 EDMUND HALLEY DRIVE X
RESTON, VA 20191

Signatures

/s/ Richard Montfort Attorney-in-Fact 08/16/2005

**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).

The shares of series 1 common stock were acquired pursuant to the merger agreement between Nextel Communications, Inc. and Sprint Corporation, which provides for the conversion of each outstanding share of Nextel class A common stock into approximately 1.2675

- (1) shares of Sprint Nextel common stock and cash equal to the product of the cash ratio of 0.0325 and the average of the per share closing prices of shares of Sprint series 1 common stock during the 20 trading day period on the New York Stock Exchange ending on (and including) the August 12, 2005, the closing date of the merger.
- (2) These share units are issued under Sprint Nextel?s 1997 Long-Term Stock Incentive Program. Each unit represents the right to receive one share of the underlying security at a date in the future.
- (3) These share units vest 100% on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (4) Options fully vested.

This option was assumed by Sprint Nextel in the merger and replaced with an option to purchase shares of Sprint Nextel common stock,

(5) with the number of shares issuable under the options and exercise prices for those options adjusted based on an exchange ratio of 1.3 to 1 with no change to the aggregate exercise price.

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