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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement SPRINT NEXTEL CORP [S] ARENDT WILLIAM G (Month/Day/Year) 08/12/2005 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 2001 EDMUND HALLEY (Check all applicable) **DRIVE** (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Controller Person RESTON, VAÂ 20191 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â 46,692 (1) Common Stock D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security 3. Title and Amount of 6. Nature of Indirect 2. Date Exercisable and (Instr. 4) **Expiration Date** Securities Underlying Conversion Ownership Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) **Derivative Security** or Exercise Form of Ownership (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative (Instr. 5) Derivative Security: Title Direct (D) Security

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) (2)	(3)	02/18/2009	Common Stock	39,000	\$ 11.75	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) (2)	(3)	05/21/2009	Common Stock	13,000	\$ 13.87	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) (2)	(3)	02/17/2010	Common Stock	39,000	\$ 47.64	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) (2)	(3)	02/20/2011	Common Stock	52,000	\$ 17.16	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) (2)	(3)	07/27/2011	Common Stock	7,800	\$ 13.35	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) (2)	(4)	09/28/2011	Common Stock	7,800	\$ 6.65	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) (2)	(4)	11/30/2011	Common Stock	7,800	\$ 8.24	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) (2)	(5)	02/13/2012	Common Stock	12,480	\$ 3.86	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) (2)	(4)	04/23/2012	Common Stock	24,647	\$ 4.12	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) (2)	(4)	02/13/2013	Common Stock	22,750	\$ 9.47	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) (2)	(4)	05/30/2013	Common Stock	7,800	\$ 11.53	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) (2)	(4)	08/29/2013	Common Stock	7,800	\$ 14.87	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) (2)	(4)	11/28/2013	Common Stock	7,800	\$ 19.48	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) (2)	(4)	02/11/2014	Common Stock	41,600	\$ 21.03	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) (2)	(4)	05/28/2014	Common Stock	13,000	\$ 17.79	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) (2)	(4)	08/31/2014	Common Stock	13,000	\$ 17.84	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) (2)	(4)	11/30/2014	Common Stock	13,000	\$ 21.89	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy) (2)	(4)	02/24/2015	Common Stock	26,000	\$ 22.62	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ARENDT WILLIAM G

2001 EDMUND HALLEY DRIVE Â Â Â Controller Â

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Signatures

/s/ Richard 08/16/2005 Montfort

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

Date

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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, and each deferred share into 1.3 deferred shares of Sprint Nextel.
- This option was assumed by Sprint Nextel in the merger and replaced with an option to purchase shares of Sprint Nextel common stock, 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.
- (3) Options fully vested.
- (4) Vesting of options takes place over four years on a montly basis from the date of grant.
- (5) 25% of options vested immediately and the remaining 75% vest monthly over four years from the date of grant.

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