

BARRATT CRAIG H
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BARRATT CRAIG H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS INC [ATHR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/24/2011

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President and CEO

C/O ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS, INC., 1700 TECHNOLOGY DRIVE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

SAN JOSE,, CA 95110

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | Amount or Price (A) or (D) | | |
| Common Stock | 05/24/2011 | | | D | 57,000 (1) | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/24/2011 | | | D | 155,357 (2) | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/24/2011 | | | D | 149,418 (3) | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/24/2011 | | | D | \$ 45 (3) 0 | I | See Footnote (4) |

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|--------------|------------|--|---|-------|---|-----------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 05/24/2011 | | D | 2,250 | D | \$ 45 <u>(3)</u> 0 | I | See Footnote <u>(4)</u> |
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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)

| 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of 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) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title Amount Number Shares |
| Employee Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 9.34 | 05/24/2011 | | D | 50,000 | <u>(5)</u> 01/13/2014 | Common Stock 50,000 |
| Employee Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 10.03 | 05/24/2011 | | D | 150,000 | <u>(5)</u> 01/20/2015 | Common Stock 150,000 |
| Employee Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 24.4 | 05/24/2011 | | D | 150,000 | <u>(5)</u> 02/01/2014 | Common Stock 150,000 |
| Employee Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 27.37 | 05/24/2011 | | D | 150,000 | <u>(7)</u> 02/12/2015 | Common Stock 150,000 |
| Employee Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 34.02 | 05/24/2011 | | D | 143,000 | <u>(8)</u> 02/10/2017 | Common Stock 143,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BARRATT CRAIG H C/O ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS, INC. 1700 TECHNOLOGY DRIVE SAN JOSE,, CA 95110 | X | | President and CEO | |

Signatures

Bruce P. Johnson, 05/24/2011
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).

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Consists of RSUs that were granted on 1/16/2011, that would vest subject to the Issuer's satisfaction of certain performance criteria for the fiscal year ended 12/31/2011; provided, however, that upon the closing of the merger contemplated by that certain Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of January 5, 2011 (the "Merger Agreement"), by and among the Issuer, Qualcomm Incorporated ("Qualcomm") and T

(1) 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 as a wholly owned subsidiary of Qualcomm (the "Merger"), these RSUs were cancelled and converted into RSUs for a number of shares of Qualcomm common stock determined by multiplying the number of shares of Issuer common stock subject to these RSUs by approximately 0.791. These RSUs will vest on a time-based schedule.

Consists of RSUs that were cancelled and converted into RSUs for a number of shares of Qualcomm common stock determined by

(2) multiplying the number of shares of Issuer common stock subject to these RSUs by approximately 0.791, subject to substantially the same terms and conditions as applied to these RSUs, pursuant to the Merger Agreement.

(3) Disposed of pursuant to the Merger Agreement in exchange for \$45.00 per share on the effective date of the Merger.

These shares were held in trust for the benefit of the reporting person's son. The reporting person's brother-in-law is the trustee of the

(4) trust. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and the filing of this report is not an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

(5) The options are fully vested.

This option was cancelled and converted into an option to purchase a number of shares of Qualcomm common stock determined by

(6) multiplying the number of shares of Issuer common stock underlying the option by approximately 0.791, subject to substantially the same terms and conditions as applied to these options, pursuant to the Merger Agreement.

(7) The options become exercisable in 48 equal monthly installments commencing on March 13, 2008.

(8) The options become exercisable in 48 equal monthly installments commencing on March 11, 2010.

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