#### ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS INC

Form 4

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### FORM 4

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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 Antes Todd Issuer Symbol ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS (Check all applicable) INC [ATHR] (First) (Last) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O ATHEROS 02/22/2007 Vice President Marketing COMMUNICATIONS, INC., 5480 GREAT AMERICA PARKWAY (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

SANTA CLARA, CA 95054

Applicable Line)
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securionor Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (A) or	` ′	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/22/2007		M	7,500	A	\$ 9.74	10,168	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2007		S	500	D	\$ 27.17	9,668	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2007		S	950	D	\$ 27.15	8,718	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2007		S	500	D	\$ 27.148	8,218	D	
	02/22/2007		S	550	D		7,668	D	

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Common Stock					\$ 27.1445		
Common Stock	02/22/2007	S	2,600	D	\$ 27.14	5,068	D
Common Stock	02/22/2007	S	400	D	\$ 27.1375	4,668	D
Common Stock	02/22/2007	S	2,000	D	\$ 27.13	2,668	D
Common Stock	02/23/2007	M	7,500	A	\$ 9.74	10,168	D
Common Stock	02/23/2007	S	1,500	D	\$ 27.38	8,668	D
Common Stock	02/23/2007	S	500	D	\$ 27.36	8,168	D
Common Stock	02/23/2007	S	1,000	D	\$ 27.35	7,168	D
Common Stock	02/23/2007	S	500	D	\$ 27.33	6,668	D
Common Stock	02/23/2007	S	1,000	D	\$ 27.3	5,668	D
Common Stock	02/23/2007	S	500	D	\$ 27.29	5,168	D
Common Stock	02/23/2007	S	1,000	D	\$ 27.28	4,168	D
Common Stock	02/23/2007	S	500	D	\$ 27.26	3,668	D
Common Stock	02/23/2007	S	550	D	\$ 27.23	3,118	D
Common Stock	02/23/2007	S	450	D	\$ 27.22	2,668	D

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

<ol> <li>Title of</li> </ol>	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onof Derivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired		

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	Derivative Security				Dispo (D) (Instr	A) or Disposed of D) Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 9.74	02/22/2007	M			7,500	07/21/2005(1)	07/21/2015	Common Stock	7,500
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 9.74	02/23/2007	M			7,500	07/21/2005(1)	07/21/2015	Common Stock	7,500

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Antes Todd C/O ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS, INC. 5480 GREAT AMERICA PARKWAY SANTA CLARA, CA 95054

Vice President Marketing

# **Signatures**

Bruce P. Johnson, Attorney-in-fact 02/23/2007

\*\*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).
- 25% of the options became exercisable on 7/21/2006, and the remaining options become exercisable in 36 equal monthly installments commencing 8/21/2006.

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