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

SECURITIES

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **HESSE DANIEL**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SPRINT NEXTEL CORP [S]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(City)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director 10% Owner

6200 SPRINT PARKWAY

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

03/26/2008

President & CEO

(Check all applicable)

(Street)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

OVERLAND PARK, KS 66251

(State)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Following (Instr. 4) Reported (A)

Code V

Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount (D) Price

Common 03/26/2008(1) Stock

322,581 Α (2)

\$0 (1)

 $1,041,488 \stackrel{(3)}{=}$

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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) A) or ((D)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am Nui Sha
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.52	03/26/2008		A	513,347	<u>(4)</u>	03/26/2018	Common Stock	51

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
HESSE DANIEL 6200 SPRINT PARKWAY OVERLAND PARK, KS 66251	X		President & CEO				

Signatures

/s/ Timothy P. O'Grady Attorney-in-Fact 03/28/2008

**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 restricted stock units are issued under Sprint Nextel's 2007 Omnibus Incentive Plan. Each unit represents the right to receive one share of the underlying security at a date in the future.
- (2) These restricted stock units vest 100% on February 11, 2011.
- (3) Includes 1,041,488 restricted stock units, which are subject to forfeiture until they vest.
- (4) These stock options vest ratably in equal amounts on February 11, 2009, February 11, 2010 and February 11, 2011.

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