

FOSTER THOMAS J
Form 4
May 13, 2005

FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
FOSTER THOMAS J

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)
C/O ATHEROS
COMMUNICATIONS, INC., 529
ALMANOR AVENUE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/13/2005

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
Vice President Sales

SUNNYVALE,, CA 94085

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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)
				(A) or (D)			
			Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock	05/13/2005		M		10,000	A	\$ 1.72
					12,943 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock	05/13/2005		D		10,000	D	\$ 8
					2,943	D	

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 1.72	05/13/2005		M	10,000	11/14/2001 ⁽²⁾ 11/14/2011	Common Stock 10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FOSTER THOMAS J C/O ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS, INC. 529 ALMANOR AVENUE SUNNYVALE,, CA 94085			Vice President Sales	

Signatures

Bruce P. Johnson,
Attorney-in-fact 05/13/2005

__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).

(1) Includes 1,595 shares acquired in May 2005 pursuant to the 2004 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

All of the options became exercisable on 11/14/2001. The shares underlying the options are subject to the issuer's right of repurchase that
(2) lapsed as to 25% of the shares on 11/5/2002, and lapses as to the remaining shares in 36 equal monthly installments beginning on 12/5/2002.

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