

KING CHRISTINE
Form 4
February 02, 2010

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
KING CHRISTINE

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)
02/01/2010

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

**C/O ATHEROS
COMMUNICATIONS, INC., 5480
GREAT AMERICA PARKWAY**

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

SANTA CLARA, CA 95054

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/01/2010		M		1,250	A \$ 16.04	2,460	D	
Common Stock	02/01/2010		M		15,000	A \$ 23.48	17,460	D	
Common Stock	02/01/2010		S		11,510	D \$ 33.13 (1)	5,950	D	

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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Director Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 16.04	02/01/2010		M	1,250	<u>(2)</u> 05/21/2019	Common Stock	1,250
Director Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 23.48	02/01/2010		M	15,000	<u>(3)</u> 04/03/2018	Common Stock	15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KING CHRISTINE
C/O ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS, INC. X
5480 GREAT AMERICA PARKWAY
SANTA CLARA, CA 95054

Signatures

Bruce P. Johnson,
Attorney-in-fact 02/02/2010

__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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Represents the weighted average sales price for a number of sale transactions effected at prices ranging from \$33.05 to \$33.19. The Reporting Person has provided to the issuer, and undertakes to provide upon request by the SEC staff, or any security holder of the issuer, information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range.

- (2) The options become exercisable in 48 equal monthly installments commencing on June 22, 2009. All of the options will become exercisable upon the occurrence of a change in control of the Issuer.
- (3) 25% of the options become exercisable on 4/4/2009, and the remaining options become exercisable in 36 equal monthly installments commencing on 5/4/2009. All of the options will become exercisable upon the occurrence of a change in control of the Issuer.

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