3COM CORP Form 4 September 22, 2006

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

350 CAMPUS DRIVE

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BENHAMOU ERIC**

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

3COM CORP [COMS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 09/20/2006

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

OMB

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

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

Person

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

MARLBOROUGH, MA 01752-3064 (State)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Transaction(s)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amour 4 Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securit** Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3) Price of (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

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Derivative or Disposed of Security (D)

(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (D) Date Expiration Title (A)

Exercisable Date Amo or

> Num of Sh

Non-Qualified

Common **Stock Option** \$ 4.41 09/20/2006 A 94,000 (1) 09/20/2013 Stock

(right to buy)

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BENHAMOU ERIC 350 CAMPUS DRIVE X MARLBOROUGH, MA 01752-3064

Signatures

Eric Benhamou 09/22/2006

Date **Signature of Reporting Person

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) Options granted become exercisable in two equal annual installments.

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