

FOSTER THOMAS J
Form 4
August 01, 2005

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 *
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., 5480
GREAT AMERICA PARKWAY

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/01/2005

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

(Street)

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

SANTA CLARA., CA 95054

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	08/01/2005		M		10,000	A	\$ 1.72	12,943	D
Common Stock	08/01/2005		S ⁽¹⁾		2,000	D	\$ 10.8	10,943	D
Common Stock	08/01/2005		S ⁽¹⁾		6,000	D	\$ 10.75	4,943	D
Common Stock	08/01/2005		S ⁽¹⁾		2,000	D	\$ 10.72	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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 1.72	08/01/2005		M	10,000	11/14/2001 ⁽²⁾ 11/14/2011	Common Stock 10,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FOSTER THOMAS J
C/O ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
5480 GREAT AMERICA PARKWAY
SANTA CLARA,, CA 95054

Vice President Sales

Signatures

Bruce P. Johnson,
Attorney-in-fact 08/01/2005

**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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading 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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