BARRATT CRAIG H

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BARRATT CRAIG H			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS INC [ATHR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) C/O ATHER		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/03/2010	X Director 10% Owner Nother (specify below) President and CEO			
COMMUNIC	CATIONS, II	NC., 5480					
GREAT AM	ERICA PAR	KWAY					
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
SANTA CLA	ARA,, CA 95	054	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
	(6)						

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (A) or	` '	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)
Common Stock	05/03/2010		S <u>(1)</u>	1,600	D	39.4031 (2)	300,963	D	
Common Stock							2,250	I	See Footnote (3)
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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerci	isable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration Da	te	Amou	ınt of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/Y	(ear)	Under	lying	Security	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ities	(Instr. 5)]
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		(
	Security				Acquired]
					(A) or						J
					Disposed						-
					of (D)						(
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
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						Date	Expiration	Title	or Number		
						Exercisable	Date	Title			
				Code V	(A) (D)				of Charac		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BARRATT CRAIG H C/O ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS, INC. 5480 GREAT AMERICA PARKWAY SANTA CLARA,, CA 95054

X

President and CEO

Signatures

Bruce P. Johnson, Attorney-in-fact 05/03/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** 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.
 - Represents the weighted average sales price for a number of sale transactions effected at prices ranging from \$39.31 to \$39.42. The
- (2) 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.
 - These shares are held in trust for the benefit of the reporting person's son. The reporting person's brother-in-law is the trustee of the trust.

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(3) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and the filing of this report is not an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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