VERTICALNET INC

Form 4

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SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BALLOWE JEFFREY C			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			VERTICALNET INC [VERT]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
			(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner		
1260 MERCER STREET			02/14/2006	Officer (give title below) Other (specification)		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person		

SEATTLE, WA 98109

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securit	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securit		-	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)	any		Code	ransaction(A) or Disposed of (D) dode (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(A)		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/14/2006		A	14,085 (1)	A	\$ 0.01 (2)	174,022 (3)	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)

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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 orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	te	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (right to receive)	\$ 0.71	02/14/2006		A	20,000	08/05/2006	02/14/2016	Common Stock	20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BALLOWE JEFFREY C 1260 MERCER STREET SEATTLE, WA 98109	X						

Signatures

Christopher G. Kuhn, power of attorney 02/16/2006

**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) Award of Restricted Stock pursuant to 2000 Equity Compensation Plan. 100% of the grant vests on August 5, 2006 provided reporting person is a Director on that date.
- (2) Payable upon distribution of the shares.
- (3) Includes 14,085 shares of Common Stock that may be issued upon vesting of Restricted Stock Units. 100% of the Restricted Stock Units vest on August 5, 2006, provided the provided the reporting person is a director on that date.
- (4) Option Grant; price not relevant.

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