#### FRANKLIN PAUL G

Form 4

October 31, 2007

### FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* FRANKLIN PAUL G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS

(Check all applicable)

INC [ATHR]

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 10/30/2007

below) Vice President Operations

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

(State)

(First)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Middle)

(Zin)

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

SANTA CLARA,, CA 95054

(City)	(State)	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (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	10/30/2007		Code V M	Amount 20,000	(D)	Price \$ 6.34	29,282	D		
Common Stock	10/30/2007		S <u>(1)</u>	10,000	D	\$ 32.75	19,282	D		
Common Stock	10/30/2007		S <u>(1)</u>	1,745	D	\$ 32.64	17,537	D		
Common Stock	10/30/2007		S(1)	232	D	\$ 32.55	17,305	D		
	10/30/2007		S <u>(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 32.54	17,105	D		

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Common Stock							
Common Stock	10/30/2007	S(1)	400	D	\$ 32.52	16,705	D
Common Stock	10/30/2007	S(1)	100	D	\$ 32.512	16,605	D
Common Stock	10/30/2007	S(1)	500	D	\$ 32.51	16,105	D
Common Stock	10/30/2007	S(1)	4,700	D	\$ 32.5	11,405	D
Common Stock	10/30/2007	S(1)	200	D	\$ 32.46	11,205	D
Common Stock	10/30/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 32.39	11,105	D
Common Stock	10/30/2007	S(1)	323	D	\$ 32.36	10,782	D
Common Stock	10/30/2007	S(1)	1,100	D	\$ 32.35	9,682	D
Common Stock	10/30/2007	S(1)	100	D	\$ 32.27	9,582	D
Common Stock	10/30/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	300	D	\$ 32.26	9,282	D
Common Stock	10/31/2007	M	35,000	A	\$ 6.34	44,282	D
Common Stock	10/31/2007	S(1)	3,100	D	\$ 34.8	41,182	D
Common Stock	10/31/2007	S(1)	200	D	\$ 34.785	40,982	D
Common Stock	10/31/2007	S(1)	900	D	\$ 34.78	40,082	D
Common Stock	10/31/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	1,000	D	\$ 34.77	39,082	D
Common Stock	10/31/2007	S(1)	300	D	\$ 34.766	38,782	D
Common Stock	10/31/2007	S(1)	4,400	D	\$ 34.76	34,382	D
Common Stock	10/31/2007	S(1)	300	D	\$ 34.758	34,082	D
Common Stock	10/31/2007	S(1)	24,800	D	\$ 34.75	9,282	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securitio
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 6.34	10/30/2007		M	20,000	11/25/2003(2)	11/25/2013	Common Stock	20,0
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 6.34	10/31/2007		M	35,000	11/25/2003(2)	11/25/2013	Common Stock	35,0

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FRANKLIN PAUL G C/O ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS, INC. 5480 GREAT AMERICA PARKWAY SANTA CLARA,, CA 95054

Vice President Operations

## **Signatures**

Bruce P. Johnson, Attorney-in-fact

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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## **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 11/25/2003. The shares underlying the options are subject to the issuer's right of repurchase that
- (2) lapsed as to 25% of the shares on 11/24/2004, and lapses as to the remaining shares in 36 equal monthly installments beginning on 12/24/2004.

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