

UTSTARCOM INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SOPHIE MICHAEL J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

UTSTARCOM, INC., 1275
HARBOR BAY PARKWAY

(Street)

ALAMEDA, CA 94502

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
UTSTARCOM INC [UTSI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/28/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Executive VP & COO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	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 Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Share Purchase Rights (right to buy)	\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾	02/28/2006	A	41,800					02/28/2006	03/30/2006	Common Stock ⁽²⁾	41,800

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SOPHIE MICHAEL J UTSTARCOM, INC. 1275 HARBOR BAY PARKWAY ALAMEDA, CA 94502			Executive VP & COO	

Signatures

By Thomas Savage, as Attorney-in Fact on behalf of Michael J. Sophie

03/02/2006

__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) Price: \$0.00125.

(2) The Common Stock issuable upon exercise of the Share Purchase Rights will be restricted stock subject to UTSI's repurchase option. UTSI's repurchase option will lapse, and the shares will vest, based on satisfaction of certain performance objectives established by the Compensation Committee for UTSI's 2006 fiscal year. A determination of the extent to which the performance objectives are achieved, and the shares are vested, will be made by the Compensation Committee as soon as administratively practicable after December 31, 2006.

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