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## FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person LAUER LEN J	Symbol Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)	SPRINT NEXTEL CORP [S]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
2001 EDMUND HALLEY DRIVE	(Month/Day/Year) 2 06/12/2006	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Chief Operating Officer			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	<ul><li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</li><li>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person</li></ul>			
RESTON, VA 20191		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common	06/12/2006 <u>(1)</u>		Code V	Amount 178,654	(A) or (D)	Price \$ 0	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 851,859 (3)	D	
Stock Common Stock				(2)		<u>(1)</u>	2,178 <u>(4)</u>	I	By Issuer's 401(k)

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 Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amoun	t of	Derivative	Deriv
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Relationships

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Officer 10% Owner Other Director

Chief LAUER LEN J 2001 EDMUND HALLEY DRIVE Operating RESTON, VA 20191 Officer

### **Signatures**

/s/ Richard Montfort 06/13/2006 Attorney-in-Fact

\*\*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).
- These share units are issued under Sprint Nextel's 1997 Long-Term Incentive Program. Each unit represents the right to receive one share of the underlying security at a date in the future.
- These restricted stock units vest 100% on February 7, 2009 but are subject to forfeiture in the event financial objectives relating to (2) wireless subscription additions, adjusted OIBDA (operating income plus depreciation, amortization and special items) and post-paid wireless subscriber retention are not achieved during 2006.
- (3) Includes 694,998 share units, which are subject to forfeiture until they vest.
- (4) Represents units representing ownership interests in the stock fund of the issuer under the Sprint Nextel 401(k) plan.

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