

ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS INC  
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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 \*  
 LAZAR JACK R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS INC [ATHR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/17/2007

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
 \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Chief Financial Officer and VP

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

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 \_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

SANTA CLARA,, CA 95054

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	12/17/2007		M	12,084	A \$ 2.26	18,751	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007		M	3,750	A \$ 10.03	22,501	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007		M	11,666	A \$ 14.38	34,167	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007		M	12,500	A \$ 24.4	46,667	D
	12/17/2007		S(1)	100	D \$ 30.21	46,567	D

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Common Stock							
Common Stock	12/17/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	300	D	\$ 30.2	46,267	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	1,200	D	\$ 30.19	45,067	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 30.18	44,867	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 30.16	44,767	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 30.07	44,667	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 30.06	44,567	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 30.02	44,467	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	400	D	\$ 30.01	44,067	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	600	D	\$ 30	43,467	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 29.99	43,367	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 29,985	43,267	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 29.98	43,167	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 29,968	43,067	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	1,200	D	\$ 29.96	41,867	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 29,959	41,767	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	300	D	\$ 29,958	41,467	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 29,957	41,267	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 29,955	41,067	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	700	D	\$ 29.95	40,367	D
	12/17/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 29.94	40,167	D

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Common Stock							
Common Stock	12/17/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	100	D	\$ 29.93	40,067	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	200	D	\$ 29.92	39,867	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	600	D	\$ 29.91	39,267	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	600	D	\$ 29.81	38,667	D
Common Stock	12/17/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	300	D	\$ 29.79	38,367	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)

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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 2.26	12/17/2007		M	12,084	10/03/2003 <sup>(2)</sup> 10/03/2013	Common Stock	12,084
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 10.03	12/17/2007		M	3,750	<sup>(3)</sup> 01/21/2015	Common Stock	3,750
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 14.38	12/17/2007		M	11,666	<sup>(4)</sup> 01/18/2011	Common Stock	11,666

buy)

Employee

Stock

Options  
(right to

buy)

\$ 24.4

12/17/2007

M

12,500

(5)

02/01/2014

Common  
Stock

12,5

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director

10% Owner

Officer

Other

LAZAR JACK R  
C/O ATHEROS COMMUNICATIONS, INC.  
5480 GREAT AMERICA PARKWAY  
SANTA CLARA,, CA 95054

Chief Financial Officer and VP

## Signatures

Bruce P. Johnson,  
Attorney-in-fact

12/19/2007

\_\_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.  
All of the options became exercisable on 10/03/2003. The shares underlying the options are subject to the issuer's right of repurchase which lapses as to 25% of the shares on 09/29/2004, and lapsed as to the remaining shares in 36 equal monthly installments beginning on 10/29/2004.
- (2) 25% of the options became exercisable on 1/21/2006, and the remaining options become exercisable in 36 equal monthly installments commencing on 2/21/2006.
- (3) The options become exercisable in 48 equal monthly installments commencing on 2/18/2006.
- (4) The options become exercisable in 48 equal monthly installments commencing on 3/02/2007.
- (5) The options become exercisable in 48 equal monthly installments commencing on 3/02/2007.

### Remarks:

Remarks: Form 4 Filing 1 of 4 (continuation report): Related transactions effected by Reporting Person on December 17, 2007.

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