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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> BENNETT ROBERT R			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SPRINT NEXTEL CORP [S]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	10/08/2006	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
2001 EDMUND HALLEY DRIVE				(Check all applicable)				
	(Street)			OfficerOther Filing			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting	
RESTON, VA 20191							Person — Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - N	Non-Derivat	ive Securiti	es Be	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Securi (Instr. 4)	ity		2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	•	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying	4. Conversion	5. Ownership	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	or Exercise Price of	Form of Derivative	(Instr. 5)
		Title	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D)	

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Date	Expiration	Amount or	or Indirect
Exercisable	Date	Number of	(I)
		Shares	(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships				
		Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
BENNETT ROBERT R 2001 EDMUND HALLEY RESTON, VA 20191	ORIVE	X	Â	Â	Â	
Signatures						
/s/ Robert R. Bennett	10/12/200)6				
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date					

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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