SPRINT NEXTEL CORP

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **COWAN KEITH O**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

SPRINT NEXTEL CORP [S]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2001 EDMUND HALLEY DRIVE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

07/09/2007

Director 10% Owner _ Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

X_ Officer (give title below) President, Strategic Planning

(Street)

(Ctota)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Person

RESTON, VA 20191

(City)	(State) (Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Se	curitie	es Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	Indirect Beneficial		
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	07/09/2007(1)		A	56,844 (2)	A	\$ 0 (1)	56,844	D	
Common Stock	07/09/2007(1)		A	113,688 (3)	A	\$ 0 (1)	170,532 (4)	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 orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am Nui Sha
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.48	07/09/2007		A	157,828	<u>(5)</u>	07/09/2017	Common Stock	15
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.48	07/09/2007		A	315,657	<u>(5)</u>	07/09/2017	Common Stock	31

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

COWAN KEITH O 2001 EDMUND HALLEY DRIVE RESTON, VA 20191

President, Strategic Planning

Signatures

/s/ Richard Montfort Attorney-in-Fact 07/11/2007

**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) These share units are issued under Sprint Nextel's 2007 Omnibus Incentive Plan. Each unit represents the right to receive one share of the underlying security at a date in the future.
- These restricted stock units are subject to adjustment based on the company's actual results compared to financial objectives established under the long-term incentive compensation plan and, subject to that adjustment, vest 100% on July 9, 2010.
- (3) These restricted stock units vest 100% on July 9, 2010.
- (4) Represents 170,532 restricted stock units, which are subject to forfeiture until they vest.
- (5) These options become exercisable at the rate of one-third of the number of shares granted on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date.

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