SPRINT NEXTEL CORP
Form 4
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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. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
LAUER LEN J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2001 EDMUND HALLEY DRIVE

(Street)

RESTON, VA 20191

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
SPRINT NEXTEL CORP [S]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/27/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Chief Operating Officer

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

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	03/27/2006		M		88,037	A	$ 0	710,298	D	
Common Stock	03/27/2006		F		37,093 (1)	D	$ 25.765	673,205 (2)	D	
Common Stock								2,179 (3)	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 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. D Der Sec (Ins
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Share Unit	$ 0 (4)	03/27/2006		M			88,037	03/27/2003	(4)	Common Stock	88,037	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LAUER LEN J 2001 EDMUND HALLEY DRIVE RESTON, VA 20191			Chief Operating Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Richard Montfort Attorney-in-Fact	03/29/2006
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

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****** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) Shares withheld by Registrant to satisfy minimum statutory withholding requirements on vesting of restricted stock and/or restricted stock units.

(2) Includes 516,344 shares of restricted stock or share units, which are subject to forfeiture until they vest.

(3) Represents units representing ownership interests in the stock fund of the issuer under the Sprint Nextel 401(k) plan.

(4) These share units were issued under Sprint Nextel?s 1997 Long-Term Stock Incentive Program. Each unit represents the right to receive one share of the underlying security at a date in the future, unless the reporting person elects to have the underlying security delivered at a later delivery date.

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