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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** BETTS GENE M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Embarq CORP [EQ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First) (Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(check an applicable)		
5454 W. 110TH ST			(Month/Day/Year) 05/21/2009	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Financial Officer		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Che Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
OVERLAND	PARK, K	S 66211		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, i any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired n(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	05/21/2009		M(1)	7,333	A	\$ 0	40,960.0677	D	
Common Stock	05/21/2009		F(2)	3,040	D	\$ 40.24	37,920.0677	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Code	5. Number ion Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration D	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	05/21/2009	M	7,333	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	7,333	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BETTS GENE M 5454 W. 110TH ST OVERLAND PARK, KS 66211

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

Tracy D. Mackey, attorney-in-fact 05/26/2009

**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) Upon vesting of restricted stock units, an equivalent number of shares of Embarq common stock were delivered to the reporting person.
- (2) Represents shares withheld by Embarq Corporation to satisfy minimum statutory withholding requirements upon vesting of restricted stock units.
- (3) Vesting is in 3 equal annual installments which began on May 21, 2007.

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