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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 LeFave Richard T

(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)
 01/19/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

Chief Information Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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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	(D)	Price		
Common Stock	01/19/2006		M		1,355	A	\$ 13.35	24,313	D
Common Stock	01/19/2006		M		814	A	\$ 6.65	25,127	D
Common Stock	01/19/2006		M		1,355	A	\$ 8.24	26,482	D
Common Stock	01/19/2006		M		8,713	A	\$ 3.86	35,195	D
Common Stock	01/19/2006		M		13,542	A	\$ 4.12	48,737	D

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Common Stock	01/19/2006	M	6,500	A	\$ 9.47	55,237	D
Common Stock	01/19/2006	M	1,896	A	\$ 11.53	57,133	D
Common Stock	01/19/2006	M	1,897	A	\$ 14.87	59,030	D
Common Stock	01/19/2006	M	2,709	A	\$ 17.79	61,739	D
Common Stock	01/19/2006	M	2,709	A	\$ 17.84	64,448	D
Common Stock	01/19/2006	S	41,490	D	\$ 23.8332	22,958 ⁽¹⁾	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
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy)	\$ 6.65	01/19/2006		M	814	⁽²⁾ 09/28/2011	Common Stock	814
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy)	\$ 8.24	01/19/2006		M	1,355	⁽²⁾ 11/30/2011	Common Stock	1,355
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy)	\$ 3.86	01/19/2006		M	8,713	⁽³⁾ 02/13/2012	Common Stock	8,713
	\$ 4.12	01/19/2006		M	13,542	⁽⁴⁾ 04/23/2012		13,542

Option Type	Exercise Price	Grant Date	Expiration Date	Relationship	Quantity	Market	Acquisition Date	Security	Quantity
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy)								Common Stock	
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy)	\$ 9.47	01/19/2006		M	6,500	(4)	02/13/2013	Common Stock	6,500
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy)	\$ 11.53	01/19/2006		M	1,896	(4)	05/30/2013	Common Stock	1,896
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy)	\$ 14.87	01/19/2006		M	1,897	(4)	08/29/2013	Common Stock	1,897
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy)	\$ 17.79	01/19/2006		M	2,709	(4)	05/28/2014	Common Stock	2,709
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy)	\$ 17.84	01/19/2006		M	2,709	(4)	08/31/2014	Common Stock	2,709
Non-Qualified Stock Option(right to buy)	\$ 13.35	01/19/2006		M	1,355	(2)	07/27/2011	Common Stock	1,355

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LeFave Richard T 2001 EDMUND HALLEY DRIVE RESTON, VA 20191			Chief Information Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Richard Montfort
Attorney-in-Fact

01/23/2006

**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) Includes 15,610 share units or deferred shares, which are subject to forfeiture until they vest.
- (2) Options fully vested.
- (3) 25% of options vested immediately and the remaining 75% vest monthly over four years from the date of grant.
- (4) Vesting of options take place over four years on a monthly basis from the date of grant.

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