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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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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)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
5454 W. 110TH ST			02/22/2009	X Officer (give title Other (spec below) below) Chief Financial Officer			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
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OVERLAND PARK, KS 66211			rneu(Month/Day/Tear)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative (Securi	ities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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)
Common Stock	02/22/2009		M(1)	13,045	A	\$ 0	37,731.0677	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2009		F(2)	4,104	D	\$ 34.66	33,627.0677	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. Transactic 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. I De Sec (In
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	02/22/2009		M	13,045	<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Common Stock	13,045	

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 02/24/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Dat

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) These restricted stock units vest and underlying shares will be delivered to reporting person in 2 equal annual installments beginning on February 22, 2009.

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