

Embarq CORP
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BLESSING WILLIAM R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

5454 W 110TH STREET

(Street)

OVERLAND PARK, KS 66211

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
Embarq CORP [EQ]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
07/28/2006

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)

SVP,Corp Strategy/Development

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

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)							
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
NQ Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 45.06	07/28/2006	A		22,174		<u>(1)</u>	02/05/2016	Common Stock	22,174	
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	07/28/2006	A		9,487		<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	9,487	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
BLESSING WILLIAM R 5454 W 110TH STREET OVERLAND PARK, KS 66211	SVP, Corp Strategy/Development

Signatures

Tracy D. Mackey,
Attorney-in-fact

08/01/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) Option vests in three annual installments with 34% vesting on February 7, 2007 and 33% vesting on each of February 7, 2008 and February 7, 2009.

- (2) These restricted stock units vest and shares will be delivered to reporting person in 2 equal annual installments beginning on 02/07/08, but are subject to forfeiture or grant of additional units based upon achievement of specified financial objectives related to revenue and operating income before interest, depreciation and amortization, both as adjusted for certain items, for the second half of the 2006 calendar year.

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