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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

 SOFTBANK CORP

(Last)

(First)

1-9-1, HIGASHI-SHIMBASHI

(Street)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

10/15/2012

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

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4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

_X__ 10% Owner Director Officer Other

(give title below) (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting

Person

X_ Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

MINATO-KU TOKYO, M0Â 105-7303

(City)

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

(State)

(Zip)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security

(Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Expiration Date Exercisable Date

Amount or Title

Number of Shares

Derivative Security: Security

Direct (D) or Indirect

(I) (Instr. 5)

(Instr. 4)

Convertible Bond $\hat{A} \stackrel{(1)}{=} \hat{A} \stackrel{(2)}{=} Series 1$ Common 590,476,190 \$ 5.25 $\stackrel{(3)}{=}$ I See Footnote $\stackrel{(4)}{=}$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SOFTBANK CORP 1-9-1, HIGASHI-SHIMBASHI MINATO-KU TOKYO, MO 105-7303	Â	ÂX	Â	Â
Starburst I, Inc. 38 GLEN AVENUE NEWTON, MA 02459	Â	ÂX	Â	Â
Starburst II, Inc. 38 GLEN AVENUE NEWTON, MA 02459	Â	ÂX	Â	Â
Starburst III, Inc. 38 GLEN AVENUE NEWTON, MA 02459	Â	ÂX	Â	Â

Signatures

/s/ Masayoshi Son, Chairman & CEO 10/25/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
 - Convertible immediately prior to the consummation of the Merger (as defined in the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated October 15, 2012, by and among Sprint Nextel Corporation and the Reporting Persons (the "Merger Agreement")) or, after the termination of the
- (1) Merger Agreement without the consummation of the Merger, upon not less than three business days prior written notice by Starburst II, Inc. to Issuer, in each case, subject to the terms and conditions of the Bond Purchase Agreement, dated October 15, 2012, by and between Sprint Nextel Corporation and Starburst II, Inc. (the "Bond Purchase Agreement").
- (2) If not earlier converted, the Bond (as defined in the Bond Purchase Agreement) matures October 15, 2019.
- The conversion price represents the per share price of Issuer Series 1 Common Stock, \$2.00 par value per share, into which the aggregate (3) principal value of the Bond is convertible, subject to the terms and conditions of the Bond Purchase Agreement. No further consideration is required for conversion of the Bond.
- These securities are owned directly by Starburst II, Inc., which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Starburst I, Inc., which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of SOFTBANK CORP. Starburst III, Inc., which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Starburst II, Inc., is the Merger Sub, as defined in the Merger Agreement, and has no pecuniary interest in the Bond.

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