

3COM CORP

Form 3

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response... 0.5**INITIAL STATEMENT OF 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 *

A HAMILTON JAMES A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

350 CAMPUS DRIVE

(Street)

MARLBOROUGH, MA 01752-3064

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event
Requiring Statement
(Month/Day/Year)

11/02/2005

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
3COM CORP [COMS]4. Relationship of Reporting
Person(s) to Issuer5. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10%
Owner__X__ Officer ____ Other
(give title (specify below)SVP & Pres, TippingPoint
Div

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line)

__X__ Form filed by One Reporting
Person____ Form filed by More than One
Reporting Person**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)2. Amount of Securities
Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)3. Ownership
Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect
(I)
(Instr. 5)4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
Ownership
(Instr. 5)

Common Stock

25,000 ⁽¹⁾

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

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currently valid OMB control number.****Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**1. Title of Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)2. Date Exercisable and
Expiration Date
(Month/Day/Year)3. Title and Amount of
Securities Underlying
Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

Title

4. Conversion
or Exercise
Price of
Derivative
Security5. Ownership
Form of
Derivative
Security:
Direct (D)6. Nature of Indirect
Beneficial
Ownership
(Instr. 5)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (2)	02/01/2012	Common Stock	50,000	\$ 3.65	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HAMILTON JAMES A 350 CAMPUS DRIVE MARLBOROUGH, MA 01752-3064	Â	Â	Â SVP & Pres, TippingPoint Div	Â

Signatures

James A.
Hamilton 11/04/2005

__Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).
- (1) Non-Derivative shares were awarded pursuant to 3Com Corporation's 2003 Stock Plan. These shares cannot be sold until vesting requirements have been met.
- (2) Shares granted become exercisable in equal installments over four years on the anniversary of the grant date.

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