

OWENS WILLIAM ARTHUR  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 OWENS WILLIAM ARTHUR

(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)  
 04/30/2009

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)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	04/30/2009		M <sup>(1)</sup>		3,720	A	\$ 0
Common Stock	05/01/2009		M <sup>(1)</sup>		6,891	A	\$ 0

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)**

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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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	04/30/2009		M	3,720	(2) (2)	Common Stock	3,720
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	05/01/2009		M	1,879	(3) (3)	Common Stock	1,879
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	05/01/2009		M	5,012	(4) (4)	Common Stock	5,012

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
OWENS WILLIAM ARTHUR 5454 W 110TH STREET OVERLAND PARK, KS 66211		X		

## Signatures

Tracy D. Mackey,  
attorney-in-fact

05/04/2009

\_\_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) Upon vesting of restricted stock units, an equivalent number of shares of Embarq common stock were delivered to the reporting person.
  - (2) Units vest and shares will be delivered to reporting person on April 30, 2009.
  - (3) Units will vest and shares will be delivered to reporting person on May 1, 2009.
  - (4) Annual retainer of \$200,000 in RSUs granted to Non-Executive Chairman of the Board. RSUs vest and underlying shares will be delivered to Mr. Owens on May 1, 2009.

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