

Murray R Scott
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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 *
 Murray R Scott

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 350 CAMPUS DRIVE
 (Street)

MARLBOROUGH, MA 01752-3064

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 3COM CORP [COMS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/25/2006

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)
 President & CEO

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	01/25/2006		A		500,000 (1)	A	\$ 0
					500,000	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)

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.51	01/25/2006		A	3,500,000	(2) 01/25/2013	01/25/2013	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.51	01/25/2006		A	2,500,000	(2) 01/25/2013	01/25/2013	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5	01/25/2006		A	3,000,000	(2) 01/25/2013	01/25/2013	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6	01/25/2006		A	3,000,000	(2) 01/25/2013	01/25/2013	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Murray R Scott 350 CAMPUS DRIVE MARLBOROUGH, MA 01752-3064			President & CEO	

Signatures

R. Scott Murray 01/27/2006

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Non-Derivative shares cannot be sold unless vesting and holding requirements are met.
 - (2) Shares granted become exercisable in equal installments over four years on the anniversary of the grant date.

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