

Hawaiian Telcom Holdco, Inc.
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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 *
BESSEY DAN T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Hawaiian Telcom Holdco, Inc. [HCOM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
SVP & Chief Financial Officer

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O HAWAIIAN TELCOM HOLDCO, INC., 1177 BISHOP STREET

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/09/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

HONOLULU, HI 96813

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 or Price		
Common Stock	03/09/2017		A		7,482 (1)	A	\$ 0 17,979
Common Stock	03/09/2017		A		1,558 (2)	A	\$ 23.3 (2) 19,537
Common Stock	03/12/2017		A		1,110 (3)	A	\$ 0 20,647
Common Stock	03/13/2017		F		1,301 (4)	D	\$ 23.46 (4) 19,346

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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 Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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 of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BESSEY DAN T
C/O HAWAIIAN TELCOM HOLDCO, INC.
1177 BISHOP STREET
HONOLULU, HI 96813

SVP & Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Sean Clark, as attorney-in-fact for Dan T. Bessey

03/13/2017

__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) Represent shares of Common Stock issuable upon settlement of the time-based portion of restricted stock units which vest in four equal annual installments with the vesting dates beginning March 12, 2018 and ending March 12, 2021.
Fully vested shares were issued in lieu of a portion of cash payments made under the Company's Performance Compensation Plan and
- (2) were issued under the Company's 2010 Equity Incentive Plan. Stock value was determined based on the average of the high and low trading prices on March 8, 2017.
- (3) Represent shares of Common Stock issued upon settlement of the performance-based portion of restricted stock units granted on May 11, 2015 based on the Compensation Committee determination that the 2016 performance targets were met.

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- (4) Shares withheld by the Issuer in payment of the withholding tax liability. The amount of shares withheld is based on the average of the closing prices on March 10, 2017 and March 13, 2017.

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