ENTROPIC COMMUNICATIONS INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

FARESE MICHAEL J.

ENTROPIC COMMUNICATIONS INC [ENTR]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

6290 SEQUENCE DRIVE

08/15/2012

Sr VP Engineering & Ops

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

Person

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (T)

(Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amour Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securit** Security or Exercise any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amo Exercisable Date or Num of Sh

Non-Qualified

Stock Option \$ 5.78 08/15/2012 A 40,000 (right to buy)

A 40,000 (1) 08/15/2022 Common Stock 40,000 (1) 08/15/2022 Common Stock 40,000 (1) 08/15/2022 (1) 08/15/202 (1) 08/15/202 (1) 08/15/202 (1) 08/15/202 (1) 08/15/202 (1) 08/15/202 (1) 08/15/202 (1) 08/15/202 (1) 08/15/202 (1) 08/15/202 (1) 08/15/202 (1) 08/15/202 (1)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FARESE MICHAEL J. 6290 SEQUENCE DRIVE SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

Sr VP Engineering & Ops

Signatures

By: Lance W. Bridges, as attorney-in-fact For: Michael R. Farese 08/15/2012

**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).

1/4th of the shares vest one year after the Vesting Commencement Date beginning 8/15/12. 1/48th of the shares vest monthly thereafter (1) over the next three years. Additionally, grant is subject to accelerated vesting on the terms and conditions set forth in such individual's Change of Control Agreement.

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