

Butvilofsky Ruben
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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 *
Butvilofsky Ruben

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NII HOLDINGS INC [NIHD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1875 EXPLORER STREET, SUITE 1000
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/21/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
President, Nextel Argentina

RESTON, VA 20190

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/21/2009		A	15,000 A \$ 18.97	25,000 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock	12/21/2009		S	15,000 D \$ 34.5	10,000	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)

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)
Common Stock (right to purchase)	\$ 18.97	12/21/2009		M	15,000	04/28/2008 ⁽²⁾ 04/28/2014	Common Stock 15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Butvilofsky Ruben 1875 EXPLORER STREET SUITE 1000 RESTON, VA 20190			President, Nextel Argentina	

Signatures

Gary D. Begeman
Attorney-in-Fact
12/21/2009

**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).
- The amount of securities beneficially owned following reported transactions on this column 5 of Table I includes 3,334 shares of
- (1) restricted stock that vest on April 22, 2010; 3,333 shares of restricted stock that vest on April 22, 2011; and 3,333 shares of restricted stock that vest on April 22, 2012.
 - (2) Option vests in four installments: 25% on April 28, 2005; 25% on April 28, 2006; 25% on April 28, 2007; and 25% on April 28, 2008.

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