

GOLDEN TELECOM INC
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FORM 4

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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 *
VINOGRADOV ALEXANDER

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2831 29TH STREET, NW

(Street)

WASHINGTON, DC 20008

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

GOLDEN TELECOM INC [GLDN]

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

04/23/2007

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

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 (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 04/23/2007 | | M | 30,000 A \$ 12 0 | | D | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 04/23/2007 | | S | 30,000 D \$ 60 0 | | 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) |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Options to purchase Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ <u>(2)</u> | \$ 12 | 04/23/2007 | | M | 30,000 | 11/21/2002 11/21/2011 | Common Stock 30,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| VINOGRADOV ALEXANDER 2831 29TH STREET, NW WASHINGTON, DC 20008 | | | President | |

Signatures

/s/ Alexander
Vinogradov 04/25/2007
 **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) The transaction listed on this Form 4 was effective pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person.
 Owing to ambiguities and inconsistencies in Russian law, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company decided not to issue stock options to Mr. Vinogradov. Instead, as part of its key employee incentive and retention policy, the Company established the Golden Telecom Incentive Bonus Program. Pursuant to this program, the Company issues stock options to the GTI Equity Participation Plan Trust in numbers corresponding to the level of financial incentive the Company wishes to award Mr. Vinogradov.
- (2) When Mr. Vinogradov desires and is eligible to receive the economic benefit of the options, he informs the Company and the Company, in turn, advises the trustee to exercise an appropriate number of options and, if requested, to sell the option shares. Upon request of the Company and Mr. Vinogradov, the funds received by the trust from the sales are disbursed to Mr. Vinogradov in the form of incentive bonuses.

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