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(Initial Statement of Beneficial Ownership)

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| Address | 1375 PEACHTREE STREET<br>SUITE 400<br>ATLANTA, GA 30309 |
| Telephone | 4048150770 |
| CIK | 0001102541 |
| Symbol | ELNK |
| SIC Code | 7370 - Computer Programming, Data Processing, And |
| Industry | Computer Services |
| Sector | Technology |
| Fiscal Year | 12/31 |

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (MM/DD/YYYY) | 3. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol |
|---|---|---|
| **Toplisek Michael** | **5/14/2012** | **EARTHLINK INC [ELNK]** |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)<br>**1375 PEACHTREE STREET** | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)<br>_____ Director _____ 10% Owner<br>___ **X** ___ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)<br>**EVP, IT Services /** | |
| (Street)<br>**ATLANTA, GA 30309**<br>(City) (State) (Zip) | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)<br>_ **X** _ Form filed by One Reporting Person<br>___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned ( *e.g.* , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (MM/DD/YYYY) | | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
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| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | |

**Explanation of Responses:**

No securities are beneficially owned.

**Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| **Toplisek Michael**<br>**1375 PEACHTREE STREET**<br>**ATLANTA, GA 30309** | | | **EVP, IT Services** | |

**Signatures**

**/s/ Michael Toplisek** **5/17/2012**

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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