

KIRLIN PETER S  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**KIRLIN PETER S**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**PHOTRONICS INC [PLAB]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
**15 SECOR ROAD**  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**01/09/2012**

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Senior VP, U.S. & Europe**

**BROOKFIELD, CT 06804**

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

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	01/09/2012		M	12,500 A \$ 0.76	32,500	D	
Common Stock	01/09/2012		S	12,500 (1) D \$ 6.4118 (2)	20,000	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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 0.76	01/09/2012		M	12,500	<sup>(3)</sup> 11/10/2018	Common Stock	12,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KIRLIN PETER S 15 SECOR ROAD BROOKFIELD, CT 06804			Senior VP, U.S. & Europe	

## Signatures

/s/ Richelle E. Burr, Attorney-in-Fact for Mr. Kirlin  
Date: 01/11/2012

\*\*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) Certain proceeds of sale for children's college fund contribution.

(2) This transaction was executed in multiple trades ranging from \$6.26 to \$6.55. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and the prices at which the transaction was effected.

(3) The stock options vest 25% over 4 years on the anniversary date of the grant.

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