

Spice Adam C.  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
Spice Adam C.

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
2051 PALOMAR AIRPORT ROAD, SUITE 100  
(Street)

CARLSBAD, CA 92011

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
MAXLINEAR INC [MXL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
05/18/2012

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)  
VP, Chief Financial Officer

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

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
			Disposed of (D)	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.36	05/18/2012	D			275,000	(1) Class A Common Stock (par value \$0.0001)
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	05/18/2012	A			137,500	(4) Class A Common Stock (par value \$0.0001)
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.1	05/18/2012	D			30,000	(5) Class A Common Stock (par value \$0.0001)
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	05/18/2012	A			15,000	(4) Class A Common Stock (par value \$0.0001)

### Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Spice Adam C. 2051 PALOMAR AIRPORT ROAD SUITE 100 CARLSBAD, CA 92011			VP, Chief Financial Officer	

### Signatures

/s/ Kishore Seendripu, as  
 Attorney-in-Fact  
 05/22/2012  
 \*\*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).
- The cancelled option provided for vesting as follows: Twenty five percent (25%) of the shares subject to this option will vest and become
- (1) exercisable on the one year anniversary of January 4, 2011, and the remaining shares will vest ratably in equal monthly installments over the thirty six (36) months thereafter, as long as the reporting person remains a service provider on each such date.

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(2) On May 18, 2012, the Issuer cancelled, pursuant to the Issuer's option exchange program, an option granted to the Reporting Person on May 6, 2011. In exchange for the option, the Reporting Person received 137,500 restricted stock units ("RSUs").

(3) Each RSU represents the contingent right to receive one share of MaxLinear, Inc. Class A Common Stock.

Subject to the Reporting Person's continuing to be a service provider through each applicable vesting date, one third (1/3rd) of the RSUs shall vest on May 18, 2013, and one third (1/3rd) of the RSUs shall vest on each successive anniversary thereafter, such that the award shall be fully vested on May 18, 2015.

The cancelled option provided for vesting as follows: Ten percent (10%) of the shares subject to the option shall vest and become exercisable on the one (1) year anniversary of May 6, 2011, the date of grant, and, thereafter, twenty percent (20%) of the shares subject to the option shall vest and become exercisable on the two (2) year anniversary of the date of grant, thirty percent (30%) of the shares subject to the option shall vest and become exercisable on the three (3) year anniversary of the date of grant, and forty percent (40%) of the shares subject to the option shall vest and become exercisable on the four (4) year anniversary of the date of grant, such that the option shall be fully vested on the four (4) year anniversary of the date of grant, subject to the Reporting Person's continuing to be a service provider through each such date.

(6) On May 18, 2012, the Issuer cancelled, pursuant to the Issuer's option exchange program, an option granted to the Reporting Person on May 6, 2011. In exchange for the option, the Reporting Person received 15,000 RSUs.

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