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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A Hata Williar	•	orting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALTERA CORP [ALTR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
101 INNOVATION DRIVE			(Month/Day/Year) 07/31/2011	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr VP, WW Ops & Engineering		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
SAN JOSE, CA 95134				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities	Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owne		

(City)	(State)	Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed	of (D)	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)
Common Stock	07/31/2011		M	14,000	A	\$ 0	59,220	D	
Common Stock	07/31/2011		M	7,350	A	\$ 0	66,570	D	
Common Stock	07/31/2011		M	3,150	A	\$ 0	69,720	D	
Common Stock	07/31/2011		M	6,000	A	\$ 0	75,720	D	
Common Stock	07/31/2011		F <u>(1)</u>	6,536	D	\$ 40.88	69,184	D	

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Common Stock	07/31/2011	F(1)	3,431	D	\$ 40.88	65,753	D
Common Stock	07/31/2011	F(1)	1,471	D	\$ 40.88	64,282	D
Common Stock	07/31/2011	F(1)	2,482	D	\$ 40.88	61,800	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orderivative 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Numb of Sha
Performance Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(2)</u>	07/31/2011		M	14,000	07/31/2011(3)	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	14,00
Performance Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(2)</u>	07/31/2011		M	7,350	07/31/2011(5)	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	7,35
Restricted Stock Unit (RSU)	(2)	07/31/2011		M	3,150	07/31/2011(5)	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	3,15
Restricted Stock Unit (RSU)	(2)	07/31/2011		M	6,000	07/31/2011(3)	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	6,00

Reporting Owners

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Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationsnips						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Hata William			Sr VP, WW Ops & Engineering				

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WILLIAM

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**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) Share withheld to cover tax withholding on RSU shares released.
- (2) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Altera Common Stock at no cost.
- (3) 25% of the restricted stock unit granted on March 2, 2009 became vested on July 31, 2011 and shares were delivered to reporting person on that date.
- (4) Ten years from the date of grant.
- (5) 25% of the restricted stock unit granted on February 19, 2010 became vested on July 31, 2011 and shares were delivered to reporting person on that date.

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