ALTERA CORP Form 4 January 31, 2007

FORM 4

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

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Callas James

(First) (Middle) (Last)

101 INNOVATION DRIVE

(Street)

SAN JOSE, CA 95134

(City)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ALTERA CORP [ALTR] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/29/2007

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title __X__ Other (specify

below) below) Sr Vice President & CFO / Sr Vice President

& CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 4)

Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of

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 Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date

7. Title an Underlyin

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		r)	(Instr. 3 ar
				Code V	(A) (I	D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.05	01/29/2007		A <u>(1)</u>	400,000	01/29/2008	01/29/2017	Commo Stock
Restricted Stock Unit (RSU)	\$ 0 (3)	01/29/2007		A	50,000	01/30/2008(4)	01/29/2017(4)	Commo Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owner Maine / Address	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Callas James

101 INNOVATION DRIVE Sr Vice President & CFO Sr Vice President & CFO SAN JOSE, CA 95134

Signatures

By: Fedenia Presa by Pwr of Attny For: Timothy R. 01/31/2007 Morse

> **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).
- Exercisable in installments cummulatively with respect to 25% of the shares on the first year anniversary of the grant and with respect to 2.083% of the shares for each month after such anniversary.
- The per share exercise price for the Shares to be issued pursuant to exercise of an Option shall be no less than 100% of the Fair Market **(2)** Value per share on the date of Grant.
- Unless expressly determined otherwise by the Committee, prior services rendered to the Company by Participant shall constitute (3)sufficient consideration for the payment of the par value per RSU (par value being \$0.01 per Share).
- The RSU Award shares shall vest and become subject to release over a four (4) year period measured from the date of Award, provided that the Insider continues to serve as an employee or consultant on such dates.

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