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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement ALTERA CORP [altr] Morse Timothy (Month/Day/Year) 01/15/2007 (Last) (First) (Middle)

4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O ALTERA CORPORATION, Â 101 INNOVATION DRIVE, MS 1302

(Street)

10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other

(Check all applicable)

(give title below) (specify below) Sr. Vice President/CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

SAN JOSE, CAÂ 95134

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security** (Instr. 4)

4. 5. Ownership Conversion or Exercise Form of Price of Derivative Derivative Security:

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

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Date Expiration Title Exercisable Date

Amount or Number of Shares Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

Other

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Morse Timothy

C/O ALTERA CORPORATION 101 INNOVATION DRIVE, MS 1302 SAN JOSE, CAÂ 95134

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Sr. Vice President/CFO Â

Security

Signatures

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02/01/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
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