

BIRAN DAN
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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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 *

Â BIRAN DAN

(Last) (First) (Middle)

101 INNOVATION DRIVE

(Street)

SAN JOSE,Â CAÂ 95134

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring
Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

03/05/2009

3. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
ALTERA CORP [ALTR]

4. Relationship of Reporting
Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer ____ Other
(give title below) (specify below)
Sr VP, Prod & Corporate Mktg

5. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)

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

3. Ownership
Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect
(I)
(Instr. 5)

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

Common Stock

5,501

D Â

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)

Date Exercisable Expiration
Date Date

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

Title Amount or
Number of

4. Conversion
or Exercise
Price of
Derivative
Security

5. Ownership
Form of
Derivative
Security:
Direct (D)
or Indirect

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

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	01/03/2006 ⁽¹⁾	01/03/2015	Common Stock	150,000	\$ 20.04	D	Â
Restricted Stock Unit (RSU)	Â ⁽²⁾	Â ⁽²⁾	Common Stock	30,000	\$ 0 ⁽³⁾	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BIRAN DAN 101 INNOVATION DRIVE SAN JOSE,Â CAÂ 95134	Â	Â	Â Sr VP, Prod & Corporate Mktg	Â

Signatures

Danny Biran 03/11/2009

^{**}Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Represents an option in which 25% of the shares shall become vested and exercisable one year after the date of grant and 1/48 of the shares shall vest each month thereafter, provided that the reporting person continues to serve has an employee on such dates.
- (2) 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 reporting person continues to serve as an employee on such dates.
- (3) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Altera common stock at no cost.

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