

LISSNER LANCE

Form 4

May 04, 2009

**FORM 4**
**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
LISSNER LANCE

(Last) (First) (Middle)

101 INNOVATION DRIVE

(Street)

SAN JOSE, CA 95134

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
04/30/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

Sr. VP Business Dvlpmnt &amp; CIO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**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 (A) or (D)	Price	
Common Stock	04/30/2009		M		3,750	A \$ 0	29,464 <sup>(1)</sup> D
Common Stock	04/30/2009		F		1,341 <sup>(2)</sup>	D \$ 16.31	28,123 D
Common Stock	04/30/2009		M		5,000	A \$ 0	33,123 D
Common Stock	04/30/2009		F		1,788 <sup>(2)</sup>	D \$ 16.31	31,335 <sup>(3)</sup> 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Performance Restricted Stock Unit	(4)	04/30/2009		M	3,750	(5)	(5)	Common Stock 3,750
Performance Restricted Stock Unit	(4)	04/30/2009		M	5,000	(5)	(5)	Common Stock 5,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
LISSNER LANCE 101 INNOVATION DRIVE SAN JOSE, CA 95134	Sr. VP Business Dvlpmnt & CIO

## Signatures

Lance Lissner 05/04/2009

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) Restricted Stock Units were previously reported in Table I as Common Stock and have been moved to Table II for administrative purposes. No change in beneficial ownership is reflected by this move.
- (2) Shares withheld to cover required tax withholding on RSU shares released April 30, 2009.
- (3) Includes 1,027 shares acquired under Altera Corporation 1987 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

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- (4) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Altera common stock at no cost.
- (5) Subject to the reporting person's continued employment, twenty-five percent of the Restricted Stock Units shall vest and become deliverable over a four (4) year period.

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