

DAANE JOHN
Form 4
July 30, 2012

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 *
DAANE JOHN

(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)
07/30/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

President and CEO

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 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An Nu Sh
Performance Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(1)</u>	07/30/2012	A	132,978 <u>(2)</u>			<u>(2)</u>		<u>(2)</u>	08/31/2015 <u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	13

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DAANE JOHN 101 INNOVATION DRIVE SAN JOSE, CA 95134	X		President and CEO	

Signatures

JOHN DAANE 07/30/2012

 **Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

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(1) Each Restricted Stock Unit ("RSU") represents a contingent right to receive at settlement one share of Altera common stock at no cost.

The performance restricted stock units ("PRSUs") were granted under Altera's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan. The actual number of PRSUs that may be earned will be determined by comparing Altera's total shareholder return ("TSR") to the TSR of the Philadelphia Semiconductor Total Return Index (the "Index") immediately preceding and at end of the three-year period commencing July 30, 2012

(2) and ending July 31, 2015 (the "Performance Period"). Each 1% difference between Altera's TSR and the Index TSR at the end of the Performance Period will result in a 2% upwards or downwards adjustment to Mr. Daane's payout percentage. The number of performance stock units shown in column 5 and 7 is equal to the maximum number of PRSUs that may be earned. The target number of PRSUs that may be earned is 66,489. The minimum number of PRSUs that may be earned is zero.

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