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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Hata William			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALTERA CORP [ALTR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	, 11			
101 INNOVATION DRIVE		E	(Month/Day/Year) 08/03/2012	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr VP, WW Ops & Engineering			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
SAN JOSE, CA 95134			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	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	3. Transaction	4. Securities Acord Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and 5	(D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	(A) or Amount (D)	Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	08/03/2012		S	20,000 D	\$ 35.7516 (1)	117,953	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)

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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Titl		8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hata William 101 INNOVATION DRIVE SAN JOSE, CA 95134

Sr VP, WW Ops & Engineering

Signatures

WILLIAM

HATA 08/06/2012

**Signature of Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).

The 20,000 shares were sold in 4 lots ranging from 200 shares to 18,052 shares per lot. The sale price ranged between \$35.75 and \$35.775. The price reported above represents the weighted average sale price. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to any security holder of Altera Corporation or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transactions were affected.

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