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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DAANE JOHN

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

ALTERA CORP [ALTR]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) (Last)

101 INNOVATION DRIVE

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

_X__ Director

10% Owner Other (specify

05/04/2015

Symbol

X_ Officer (give title below)

below)

President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Street)

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

(Instr. 8)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

(T)

(Instr. 4)

(Zip)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

SAN JOSE, CA 95134

(City)

Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(A)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Securities Security or Exercise Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) any

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	Dispose		Acquired (A Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, 5)	sed of (D)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares
Performance Restricted Stock Unit (8)	(1)	05/04/2015		A		231,172		<u>(2)</u>	(2)	Common Stock	231,172
Restricted Stock Unit (RSU)	(1)	05/04/2015		A		77,058		(3)	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	77,058 (3)

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 05/06/2015

**Signature of 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) 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 exact number of PRSUs (Calculated Shares) 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 the end of the three-year period commencing
- May 4, 2015 and ending May 4, 2018 (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 the payout percentage. The number of performance stock units shown in columns 5 and 7 is equal to the maximum number of PRSUs that may be earned. The minimum number of PRSUs that may be earned is zero. Subject to the Reporting Person's continuing employment and the provisions set forth in the PRSU award agreement, 100% of the Calculated Shares will vest on May 31, 2018.
- (3) Subject to the Reporting Person's continuing employment and the provisions in the Altera's standard form of RSU award agreement, the shares shall vest at a rate of 25% annually. Shares will be delivered to the reporting person on such vest date.

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