

BURICH MISHA
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BURICH MISHA

(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)
07/01/2010

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)
Sr VP, Research & Development / Sr VP, Research & Development

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	07/01/2010		M ⁽¹⁾	10,000 A \$ 13.91	43,506	D	
Common Stock	07/01/2010		S ⁽¹⁾	10,000 D \$ 24.7312	33,506	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)

Table with 7 columns: 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4). Row 1: Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy), \$ 13.91, 07/01/2010, M(1), 10,000, 12/03/2006, 12/03/2012, Common Stock.

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 main sections: Reporting Owner Name / Address and Relationships. Reporting Owner Name / Address: BURICH MISHA, 101 INNOVATION DRIVE, SAN JOSE, CA 95134. Relationships: Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other. Sr VP, Research & Development; Sr VP, Research & Development.

Signatures

Misha R. Burich 07/02/2010

**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) The sale was made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Sales Plan adopted by the reporting person on December 10th, 2009.
(2) The 10,000 shares were sold in 10 lots ranging from 60 shares to 4,000 shares per lot. The sale price ranged between \$24.66 and \$24.77.
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