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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad BURICH MI	•	orting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALTERA CORP [ALTR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
101 INNOVATION DRIVE (Street) SAN JOSE, CA 95134			(Month/Day/Year) 04/30/2011	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr VP, Research & Development 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			4. If Amendment, Date Original				
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I Non Derivative Securities A	ios Acquired Disposed of ar Reposicially Owner			

(City)	(State) (2	e I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transactio	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
(III)		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Owned Following Reported	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	04/30/2011		M	7,500	A	\$0	16,418	D	
Common Stock	04/30/2011		F	2,752	D	\$ 48.7	13,666	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	04/30/2011		M	7,500	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	7,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BURICH MISHA 101 INNOVATION DRIVE SAN JOSE, CA 95134

Sr VP, Research & Development

Signatures

Misha R. Burich 05/03/2011

**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) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Altera common stock at no cost.
- (2) 25% of the restricted stock unit granted on April 28, 2008 became vested on April 30, 2011 and shares were delivered to the reporting person on that date.

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