

PLOFSKY JORDAN
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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 *
 PLOFSKY JORDAN

(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)
 04/30/2011

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 & GM Penang Operation

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	04/30/2011		M		10,000	A	\$ 0 99,401
Common Stock	04/30/2011		F		4,668	D	\$ 48.7 94,733
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Common Stock	04/30/2011		F		4,668	D	\$ 48.7 100,065 ⁽¹⁾

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. 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Restricted Stock Unit	(2)	04/30/2011		M	10,000	(3) (3)	Common Stock	10,000
Performance Restricted Stock Unit	(2)	04/30/2011		M	10,000	(4) (4)	Common Stock	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PLOFSKY JORDAN 101 INNOVATION DRIVE SAN JOSE, CA 95134			Sr VP & GM Penang Operation	

Signatures

Jordan Plofsky 05/03/2011
 **Signature of Date
 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).
- (1) Includes 794 shares acquired under the Altera Corporation 1987 Employee Stock Purchase Plan on April 29, 2011.
- (2) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Altera common stock at no cost.
- (3) 25% of the restricted stock unit granted on April 30, 2007 became vested on April 30, 2011 and shares were delivered to the reporting person on that date.
- (4)

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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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