

MCGARITY KEVIN J

Form 4

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FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MCGARITY KEVIN J

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)

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3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/13/2012

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)

SAN JOSE, CA 95134

☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 | 05/13/2012 | | M | | 1,666 | A \$ 0 | 11,667 D |
| Common Stock | 05/13/2012 | | M | | 1,667 | A \$ 0 | 13,334 D |
| Common Stock | 05/13/2012 | | M | | 1,037 | A \$ 0 | 14,371 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. 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) | | 8. Derivative Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|-----|---|-----------------|---|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) | <u>(1)</u> | 05/13/2012 | | M | | 1,666 | | 05/13/2012 | <u>(2)</u> | Common Stock | 1,666 |
| Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) | <u>(1)</u> | 05/13/2012 | | M | | 1,667 | | 05/13/2012 | <u>(3)</u> | Common Stock | 1,667 |
| Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) | <u>(1)</u> | 05/13/2012 | | M | | 1,037 | | 05/13/2012 | <u>(4)</u> | Common Stock | 1,037 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| MCGARITY KEVIN J 101 INNOVATION DRIVE SAN JOSE, CA 95134 | | | X | |

Signatures

KEVIN
MCGARITY
05/15/2012

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 ("RSU") represents a contingent right to receive at settlement one share of Altera common stock at no cost.
- (2) On May 12, 2009, the reporting person received a grant of RSUs that vest over a three-year period beginning on May 13, 2010. One third of the RSUs vested on May 13, 2012 and shares were delivered to the reporting person on May 14, 2012.
- (3) On May 6, 2010, the reporting person received a grant of RSUs that vest over a three-year period beginning on May 13, 2011. One third of the RSUs vested on May 13, 2012 and shares were delivered to the reporting person on May 14, 2012.

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- (4) On May 10, 2011, the reporting person received a grant of RSUs that vest over a three-year period beginning on May 13, 2012. One third of the RSUs vested on May 13, 2012 and shares were delivered to the reporting person on May 14, 2012.

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