

ALTERA CORP  
Form 8-K  
July 21, 2004

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 21, 2004**

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**ALTERA CORPORATION**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction)

**0-16617**  
(Commission file number)

**77-0016691**  
(I.R.S. employer

of incorporation)

identification no.)

**101 Innovation Drive, San Jose, California**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**95134**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (408) 544-7000**



**Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On July 21, 2004, Altera Corporation issued a press release announcing its financial results for the second quarter of 2004. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ALTERA CORPORATION

By: /s/ Nathan Sarkisian

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Nathan Sarkisian  
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: July 21, 2004

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release dated July 21, 2004