BIRAN DAN Form 4 August 03, 2011

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 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 * **BIRAN DAN**

(Zip)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

(State)

101 INNOVATION DRIVE

SAN JOSE, CA 95134

(City)

2. Issuer Name an	d Ticker or Trading
Symbol	

ALTERA CORP [ALTR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 07/31/2011

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

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner

Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title below)

Sr VP, Marketing and Tech Svcs 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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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)	(A)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	07/31/2011		M	11,375	A	\$ 0	20,616	D	
Common Stock	07/31/2011		M	4,875	A	\$0	25,491	D	
Common Stock	07/31/2011		M	10,000	A	\$ 0	35,491	D	
Common Stock	07/31/2011(1)		F	1,789 (2)	D	\$ 40.88	33,702	D	
Common Stock	07/31/2011(1)		F	5,267 (2)	D	\$ 40.88	28,435	D	

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Common Stock	07/31/2011 <u>(3)</u>	F	3,668 (2)		\$ 40.88		D
Common Stock	08/01/2011	S(4)	15,526 (5)	D	\$ 40.9737	9,241	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 of or 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amous or Numb of Sha
Performance Restricted Stock Unit	(2)	07/31/2011		M	11,375	07/31/2011(1)	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	11,31
Restricted Stock Unit (RSU)	(2)	07/31/2011		M	4,875	07/31/2011(1)	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	4,87
Restricted Stock Unit (RSU)	(2)	07/31/2011		M	10,000	07/31/2011(3)	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	10,00

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BIRAN DAN 101 INNOVATION DRIVE SAN JOSE, CA 95134

Sr VP, Marketing and Tech Svcs

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DANNY 08/02/2011 **BIRAN**

2 Reporting Owners

**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) 25% of the restricted stock unit granted on February 19, 2010 became vested on July 31, 2011 and shares were delivered to reporting person on that date.
- (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 March 16, 2009 became vested on July 31, 2011 and shares were delivered to reporting person on that date.
- (4) The sale was made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Sales Plan adopted by the reporting person on January 28, 2011.
- (5) The 15,526 shares sold on 8/1/2011 to cover the taxes on his 7/31/2011 RSU vest included 11 lots ranging from 100 shares to 3,100 shares per lot at sale prices ranging from \$40.94 to \$41.03 per share.
- (6) Ten years from the date of grant.

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