

ALTERA CORP  
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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 \*  
LISSNER LANCE

(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)  
09/04/2007

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, Business Development

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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	M <sup>(1)</sup>	600	A \$ 9.4063	16,008 <sup>(2)</sup>	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	S <sup>(3)</sup>	600	D \$ 23.75	15,408	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	M <sup>(1)</sup>	400	A \$ 9.4063	15,808	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	S <sup>(3)</sup>	400	D \$ 23.76	15,408	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	M <sup>(1)</sup>	200	A \$ 9.4063	15,608	D

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Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	<u>S</u> (3)	200	D	\$ 23.77	15,408	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	<u>M</u> (1)	200	A	\$ 9.4063	15,608	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	<u>S</u> (1)	200	D	\$ 23.79	15,408	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	<u>M</u> (1)	200	A	\$ 9.4063	15,608	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	<u>S</u> (3)	200	D	\$ 23.8	15,408	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	<u>M</u> (1)	582	A	\$ 9.4063	15,990	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	<u>S</u> (3)	582	D	\$ 23.87	15,408	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	<u>M</u> (1)	818	A	\$ 9.4063	16,226	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	<u>S</u> (3)	818	D	\$ 23.89	15,408	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	<u>M</u> (1)	200	A	\$ 9.4063	15,608	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	<u>S</u> (3)	200	D	\$ 23.9	15,408	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	<u>M</u> (1)	300	A	\$ 9.4063	15,708	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	<u>S</u> (3)	300	D	\$ 23.92	15,408	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	<u>M</u> (1)	700	A	\$ 9.4063	16,108	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	<u>S</u> (3)	700	D	\$ 23.95	15,408	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007		<u>M</u> (1)	600	A	\$ 9.4063	16,008	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	<u>S</u> (3)	600	D	\$ 23.96	15,408	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	<u>M</u> (1)	1,400	A	\$ 9.4063	16,808	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	<u>S</u> (3)	1,400	D	\$ 23.97	15,408	D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	<u>M</u> (1)	100	A	\$ 9.4063	15,508	D
	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	<u>S</u> (3)	100	D	\$ 23.99	15,408	D

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Common Stock									
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	M <sup>(1)</sup>	800	A	\$ 9.4063	16,208		D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	S <sup>(3)</sup>	800	D	\$ 24.03	15,408		D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	M <sup>(1)</sup>	500	A	\$ 9.4063	15,908		D
Common Stock	09/04/2007	09/04/2007	S <sup>(3)</sup>	500	D	\$ 24.04	15,408		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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
LISSNER LANCE 101 INNOVATION DRIVE SAN JOSE, CA 95134	Director 10% Owner Officer Sr VP, Business Development

## Signatures

/s/ Lance  
Lissner 09/06/2007

\_\_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) Exercise of non-qualified stock option granted 5/18/1998.
- (2) Includes 21,270 shares acquired on June 1, 2007 pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of Employee Stock Purchase Plan and Restricted Stock Plan.
- (3) Sale made pursuant to a rule 10b5-1 Plan.

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