

LISSNER LANCE  
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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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(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)  
10/01/2007

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)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	M <sup>(1)</sup>	2,000	A \$ 9.4063	17,408	D
Common Stock	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	S <sup>(2)</sup>	2,000	D \$ 24.17	15,408	D
Common Stock	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	M <sup>(1)</sup>	338	A \$ 9.4063	15,746	D
Common Stock	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	S <sup>(2)</sup>	338	D \$ 24.24	15,408	D
Common Stock	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	M <sup>(1)</sup>	190	A \$ 9.4063	15,598	D

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Common Stock	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	<u>S</u> (2)	190	D	\$ 24.25	15,408	D
Common Stock	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	<u>M</u> (1)	2,877	A	\$ 9.4063	18,285	D
Common Stock	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	<u>S</u> (2)	2,877	D	\$ 24.26	15,408	D
Common Stock	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	<u>M</u> (1)	200	A	\$ 9.4063	15,608	D
Common Stock	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	<u>S</u> (2)	200	D	\$ 24.265	15,408	D
Common Stock	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	<u>M</u> (1)	1,900	A	\$ 9.4063	17,308	D
Common Stock	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	<u>S</u> (2)	1,900	D	\$ 24.27	15,408	D
Common Stock	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	<u>M</u> (1)	495	A	\$ 9.4063	15,903	D
Common Stock	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	<u>S</u> (2)	495	D	\$ 24.28	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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
				Code	V (A) (D)			
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.4063	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	M	2,000	05/18/1999 <sup>(1)</sup>	05/18/2008	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 9.4063	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	M	338	05/18/1999 <sup>(1)</sup>	05/18/2008	Common Stock

(right to buy)									
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.4063	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	M	190	05/18/1999 <sup>(1)</sup>	05/18/2008	Common Stock	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.4063	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	M	2,877	05/18/1999 <sup>(1)</sup>	05/18/2008	Common Stock	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.4063	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	M	200	05/18/1999 <sup>(1)</sup>	05/18/2008	Common Stock	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.4063	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	M	1,900	05/18/1999 <sup>(1)</sup>	05/18/2008	Common Stock	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.4063	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	M	495	05/18/1999 <sup>(1)</sup>	05/18/2008	Common Stock	

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

By: Fedenia Presa by Power of Attny For: Lance  
Lissner

10/03/2007

\_\_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) Sale made pursuant to a rule 10b5-1 Plan.

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