COHERENT INC

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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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

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TOMLINSON LAWRENCE			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COHERENT INC [COHR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
P.O. BOX 54980			(Month/Day/Year) 11/03/2005	X_ 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) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
SANTA CLARA, CA 95056-0980				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State) (Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	11/03/2005(1)		M	2,000	A	\$ 24.13	2,000	D	
Common Stock	11/03/2005		S	2,000	D	\$ 31.5	0	D	
Common Stock	11/03/2005(1)		M	2,000	A	\$ 24.13	2,000	D	
Common Stock	11/03/2005		S	2,000	D	\$ 32	0	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)	Code Securities		6. Date Exercise Expiration Date (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securit
	Security				(D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				Amo
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Num of Share
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.13	11/03/2005		M	4,000	03/25/2005	03/25/2013	Common Stock	4,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	0		

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

TOMLINSON LAWRENCE P.O. BOX 54980

P.O. BOX 54980 X SANTA CLARA, CA 95056-0980

Signatures

Scott H. Miller, by power of atty

11/07/2005

**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) These shaes were sold pursuant to a 10b-5-1 stock plan adopted by the named director on February 28, 2005.

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