COHERENT INC

Form 4

November 17, 2015

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Sechrist Paul F Symbol COHERENT INC [COHR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(Street)

(Ctata)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 11/13/2015

(Check all applicable)

Director _X__ Officer (give title . below)

10% Owner _ Other (specify

5100 PATRICK HENRY DR

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

EVP Worldwide Sales & Services

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

SANTA CLARA,, CA 95054

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)				5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially Owned	(D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial Ownership
		(xional Day, Teal)	(msu. o)		(A) or		Following Reported Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	11/13/2015		M	2,640	A	\$0	38,464	D	
Common Stock	11/13/2015		F	993 (1)	D	\$ 61.06	37,471	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 Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Shar
Performance Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	11/13/2015		M		2,640	(2)	11/13/2015	Common Stock	2,6
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	11/13/2015		A	7,335		<u>(4)</u>	11/13/2018	Common Stock	7,3
Performance Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	11/13/2015		A	3,667		<u>(5)</u>	11/13/2018	Common Stock	3,6

Reporting Owners

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Sechrist Paul F

5100 PATRICK HENRY DR EVP Worldwide Sales & Services

SANTA CLARA,, CA 95054

Signatures

Paul F. Sechrist 11/17/2015

**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) Represents shares withheld to satisfy minimum tax withholding obligations for released restricted stock units.
- This Restricted Stock Performance Unit award vests after the three year anniversary of the grant based on the relative performance of the underlying stock versus the Russell 2000 Index for the 90 trading days on and prior to November 13, 2015 versus the same 90 trading day period ending November 13, 2012. The number of shares in the table reflects the number of RSUs at target. The actual range of RSUs is 0-200% of the target number, depending upon what achievement, if any, results at the measurement date.
- (3) 2640 shares received out of a possible 4400 target share payout. Derivatives beneficially owned total reduced by the 1760 shares not earned
- (4) This Restricted Stock Unit award vests over three years with one third of the grant vesting on each of the subsequent anniversaries of the grant.

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This Restricted Stock Performance Unit award vests after the three year anniversary of the grant based on the relative performance of the underlying stock versus the Russell 2000 Index for the 90 trading days on and prior to November 13, 2018 versus the same 90 trading day period ending November 13, 2015. The number of shares in the table reflects the number of RSUs at target. The actual range of RSUs is 0-200% of the target number, depending upon what achievement, if any, results at the measurement date.

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