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(Print or Type I	Responses)										
			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALTERA CORP [ALTR]				g	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			3. Date of	te of Earliest Transaction				(Check all applicable)			
(Mo				onth/Day/Year) 29/2012				Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Sr VP & CFO			
				amendment, Date Original Month/Day/Year)				 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 			
		(7in)						Person			
(City)		(Zip)					-	uired, Disposed of,		-	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Executior any	n Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) Code V	4. Securiti on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4) Amount	sposed	of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	01/29/2012			М	10,000	A	\$0	13,704	D		
Common Stock	01/29/2012			D	3,668 (1)	D	\$ 40.23	10,036	D		
Common Stock	01/29/2012			М	13,333	А	\$0	23,369	D		
Common Stock	01/29/2012			D	5,026 (1)	D	\$ 40.23	18,343 <u>(2)</u>	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)	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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit (RSU)	<u>(3)</u>	01/29/2012		М	10,000	01/29/2012	(4)	Common Stock	10,000
Restricted Stock Unit (RSU)	<u>(3)</u>	01/29/2012		М	13,333	01/29/2012	(4)	Common Stock	13,333

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PASEK RONALD J 101 INNOVATION DRIVE SAN JOSE, CA 95134			Sr VP & CFO				
Signatures							
RONALD JAMES PASEK	01/30/2	012					
**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).

Shares of common stock were withheld at vesting to cover required tax withholding. Because the vesting date of such RSUs occurred on a day on which the NASDAQ Stock Market was closed for trading, the fair market value of Altera common stock used for purposes of

- (1) Calculating the number of shares to be withheld was the closing price of Altera common stock as reported on the last trading day immediately prior to such vesting date.
- (2) Includes 255 shares acquired under the Altera Corporation 1987 Employee Stock Purchase Plan on October 31, 2011.

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- (3) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Altera common stock at no cost.
- (4) Ten years from the date of grant.

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