

BIRAN DAN
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â BIRAN DAN		(Month/Day/Year)	ALTERA CORP [ALTR]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	03/05/2009	
101 INNOVATION DRIVE			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(Street)			(Check all applicable)	
SAN JOSE,Â CAÂ 95134			<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
			(give title below) (specify below)	<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
			Sr VP, Prod & Corporate Mktg	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	5,501	D	Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	01/03/2006 ⁽¹⁾	01/03/2015	Common Stock	150,000	\$ 20.04	D	^
Restricted Stock Unit (RSU)	^ (2)	^ (2)	Common Stock	30,000	\$ 0 (3)	D	^

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BIRAN DAN 101 INNOVATION DRIVE SAN JOSE, CA 95134	^	^	^ Sr VP, Prod & Corporate Mktg	^

Signatures

Danny Biran 03/11/2009

Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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 an option in which 25% of the shares shall become vested and exercisable one year after the date of grant and 1/48 of the shares shall vest each month thereafter, provided that the reporting person continues to serve has an employee on such dates.
- (2) The RSU Award shares shall vest and become subject to release over a four (4) year period measured from the date of Award, provided that the reporting person continues to serve as an employee on such dates.
- (3) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Altera common stock at no cost.

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