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FORM 4

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WATERS JEFFREY

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

ALTERA CORP [ALTR]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner

101 INNOVATION DRIVE

(Month/Day/Year) 05/05/2014

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

SVP, Business Unit

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

(Instr. 4)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

below)

SAN JOSE, CA 95134

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D) Price

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (T)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Restricted Stock Unit (2)	<u>(1)</u>	05/05/2014		A		38,964		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	38,964 (2)
Restricted Stock Unit (RSU)	<u>(1)</u>	05/05/2014		A		29,224		(3)	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	29,224

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WATERS JEFFREY 101 INNOVATION DRIVE SAN JOSE, CA 95134

SVP, Business Unit

Signatures

Jeffery W Waters 05/06/2014

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Each restricted stock unit ("RSU") represents a contingent right to receive at settlement one share of Altera common stock at no cost.

The performance restricted stock units ("PRSUs") were granted under Altera's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan. The exact number of PRSUs (Calculated Shares) that may be earned will be determined by comparing Altera's total shareholder return ("TSR") to the TSR of the Philadelphia Semiconductor Total Return Index (the "Index") immediately preceding and at the end of the three-year period commencing

- (2) May 5, 2014 and ending May 5, 2017 (the "Performance Period"). Each 1% difference between Altera's TSR and the Index TSR at the end of the Performance Period will result in a 2% upwards or downwards adjustment to the payout percentage. The number of performance stock units shown in columns 5 and 7 is equal to the maximum number of PRSUs that may be earned. The minimum number of PRSUs that may be earned is zero. Subject to the Reporting Person's continuing employment and the provisions set forth in the PRSU award agreement, 100% of the Calculated Shares will vest on May 31, 2017.
- Subject to the Reporting Person's continuing employment and the provisions of Altera's standard form of RSU award agreement, the shares will commence vesting on May 14, 2015 at a rate of 25% annually. Shares will be delivered to the Reporting Person on each such vest date.

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