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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

See Instruction 1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

BURICH MISHA			Symbol ALTERA CORP [ALTR]						Issuer (Charles II applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	fiddle) 3. Date of l (Month/Da			ansaction			(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner			
101 INNOV	ATION DRIVE	Į.	01/30/20						X_ Officer (give below) Sr VP, Res	e title Other below) earch & Develo	er (specify	
	4. If Amendment, Date Original						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check					
SAN JOSE,	Filed(Month/Day/Year)						Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned											ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Year) Execution any		n Date, if Transaction			4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	01/30/2008			M		6,250	A	\$0	10,542	D		
Common Stock	01/30/2008			F		2,501 (1)	D	\$ 17.99	8,041	D		
Common Stock	01/30/2008			M		7,500	A	\$ 0	15,541	D		
Common Stock	01/30/2008			F		2,681 ₍₁₎	D	\$ 17 99	12,860	D		

(1)

17.99

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Fransaction Derivative Code Securities Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	and :	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit (RSU)	(2)	01/30/2008		M		6,250	01/30/2008	01/30/2016(3)	Common Stock	6,250
Restricted Stock Unit (RSU)	(2)	01/30/2008		M		7,500	01/30/2008	01/29/2017(3)	Common Stock	7,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BURICH MISHA 101 INNOVATION DRIVE SAN JOSE, CA 95134

Sr VP, Research & Development

Signatures

By: Joanne Norgart For: Misha R.

Burich

02/01/2008

**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) Shares withheld to cover taxes on RSU shares released January 30, 2008.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a right to receive one share of the Issuer's common shares for free.
- (3) 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 Insider continues to serve as an employee on such dates.

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