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## FORM 3

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

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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 \*

PRABHU KRISH A

(Last)

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

05/13/2008

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ALTERA CORP [ALTR]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

101 INNOVATION DRIVE (Check all applicable)

\_X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer \_X\_ Other (give title below) (specify below)

**Board Member** 

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

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

SAN JOSE, CAÂ 95134

(City) (State)

(Instr. 4)

1. Title of Security

(Zip)

2. Amount of Securities

Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

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** 

Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security

4.

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Expiration Date Exercisable Date

Title

(Instr. 4)

Amount or Number of Shares

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PRABHU KRISH A

101 INNOVATION DRIVE X Board Member SAN JOSE, CAÂ 95134

Signatures

Prabhu

By: Joanne Norgart For: Krish

05/15/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

No securities are beneficially owned

- \* 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).

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