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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b). (Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **MYERS GREG**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

(Middle)

ALTERA CORP [ALTR]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

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10/15/2007

below)

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

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

(Instr. 8)

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

Person

Following

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

SAN JOSE, CA 95134

Security

(Instr. 3)

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Street)

4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Ar 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4 Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative **Expiration Date** Underlying Se Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3) Price of (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

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Derivative or Disposed of Security (D)

(D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration Title

Date

Non-Qualified

(right to buy)

Stock Option \$ 23.6 10/15/2007

A 40,000

10/15/2008(1) 10/15/2017

Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MYERS GREG
101 INNOVATION DRIVE X
SAN JOSE, CA 95134

Signatures

/s/ Greg Myers 10/17/2007

**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).
- The Option shares shall become exercisable as to twenty-five percent (25%) of the total Shares subject to the Option on the first anniversary of its date of grant and an additional 2.0833% of the total Shares subject to the Option each month thereafter such that the Initial Grant will become fully vested on the fourth anniversary of the date of grant, provided that the Non-Employee Director continuously remains a director or a consultant of the Company.
- (2) The per share exercise price for the Shares to be issued pursuant to exercise of an Option shall be no less than 100% of the Fair Market Value per share on the date of Grant.

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