

Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc.
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
GMT CAPITAL CORP

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc.
 [KRA]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
**GMT CAPITAL CORP, 2300
 WINDY RIDGE PKWY, SUITE 550
 SOUTH**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
08/01/2011

___ Director ___X___ 10% Owner
 ___ Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)

(Street)
ATLANTA, GA 30339

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check 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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	08/01/2011		P	60,000	\$ 36.72	3,628,155 ⁽⁴⁾	D
				<u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>			
Common Stock	08/01/2011		P	10,000	\$ 36.81	3,638,155 ⁽⁶⁾	D
				<u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u> <u>(5)</u>			
Common Stock	08/02/2011		P	7,600	\$ 36.63	3,645,755 ⁽⁸⁾	D
				<u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u> <u>(7)</u>			

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

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beneficial ownership except to the extent ultimately realized.

- (3) The aggregate number of shares of common stock purchased was 60,000 shares and such shares were purchased by the Reporting Persons in the following amounts: Bay = 9,000 shares; Bay II = 11,500 shares; Offshore Fund = 34,900 shares; GMT Capital = 2,700 shares; Claugus = 1,900 shares.

- (4) 3,628,155 shares of common stock is the aggregate number of shares of common stock owned by the Reporting Persons and is owned as follows: Bay = 496,300 shares directly owned by it; Bay II = 1,009,400 shares directly owned by it; Offshore Fund = 1,877,555 shares directly owned by it; GMT Capital = 148,200 shares of common stock beneficially owned by it with respect to separate client accounts managed by it; Claugus = 96,700 shares directly owned by him.

- (5) The aggregate number of shares of common stock purchased was 10,000 shares and such shares were purchased by the Reporting Persons in the following amounts: Bay = 1,500 shares; Bay II = 1,900 shares; Offshore Fund = 5,800 shares; GMT Capital = 500 shares; Claugus = 300 shares.

- (6) 3,638,155 shares of common stock is the aggregate number of shares of common stock owned by the Reporting Persons and is owned as follows: Bay = 497,800 shares directly owned by it; Bay II = 1,011,300 shares directly owned by it; Offshore Fund = 1,883,355 shares directly owned by it; GMT Capital = 148,700 shares of common stock beneficially owned by it with respect to separate client accounts managed by it; Claugus = 97,000 shares directly owned by him.

- (7) The aggregate number of shares of common stock purchased was 7,600 shares and such shares were purchased by the Reporting Persons in the following amounts: Bay = 1,200 shares; Bay II = 1,500 shares; Offshore Fund = 4,300 shares; GMT Capital = 300 shares; Claugus = 300 shares.

- (8) 3,645,755 shares of common stock is the aggregate number of shares of common stock owned by the Reporting Persons and is owned as follows: Bay = 499,000 shares directly owned by it; Bay II = 1,012,800 shares directly owned by it; Offshore Fund = 1,887,655 shares directly owned by it; GMT Capital = 149,000 shares of common stock beneficially owned by it with respect to separate client accounts managed by it; Claugus = 97,300 shares directly owned by him.

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