

ALTERA CORP  
Form 8-K  
June 11, 2009

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of**  
**the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): June 11, 2009

**ALTERA CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**0-16617**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**77-0016691**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**101 Innovation Drive, San Jose, California**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**95134**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (408) 544-7000

**Not Applicable**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- “ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- “ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

(b) Departure of Directors or Certain Officers.

On June 11, 2009, Altera Corporation issued a press release announcing the resignation, effective June 12, 2009, of Timothy R. Morse, senior vice president and Chief Financial Officer. A copy of the press release is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

(c) Appointment of Certain Officers.

On June 11, 2009, Altera Corporation issued a press release announcing that, effective June 12, 2009, James Callas, vice-president finance and corporate controller, will serve as acting chief financial officer. Mr. Callas has been employed by Altera for over 20 years and has served in a variety of finance roles during his career. A copy of the press release is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated June 11, 2009

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ALTERA CORPORATION

/s/ Katherine E. Schuelke  
Katherine E. Schuelke  
Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Date: June 11, 2009

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>                |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 99.1               | Press Release dated June 11, 2009 |