

ALTERA CORP  
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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 \*  
**BERLAN DENIS**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

101 INNOVATION DRIVE

(Street)

SAN JOSE, CA 95134

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**ALTERA CORP [ALTR]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
11/08/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Executive Vice President & COO / Executive Vice President & COO

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

Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	11/08/2006		M		33,000	A	\$ 8.75
Common Stock	11/08/2006		S		33,000	D	\$ 19.1264
Common Stock	11/09/2006		M		13,000	A	\$ 8.75
Common Stock	11/09/2006		S		13,000	D	\$ 19.4963
Common Stock	11/09/2006		M		10,000	A	\$ 8.75

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Common Stock	11/09/2006	S	10,000	D	\$ 19.4527	465,642	D	
Common Stock	11/09/2006	M	10,000	A	\$ 8.75	475,642	D	
Common Stock	11/09/2006	S	10,000	D	\$ 19.4486	465,642	D	
Common Stock						13,280	I	by Son

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.75	11/08/2006		M	33,000	02/01/1999 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/17/2006	Common Stock		
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.75	11/09/2006		M	13,000	02/01/1999 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/17/2006	Common Stock		
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.75	11/09/2006		M	10,000	02/01/1999 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/17/2006	Common Stock		
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.75	11/09/2006		M	10,000	02/01/1999 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/17/2006	Common Stock		

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BERLAN DENIS  
101 INNOVATION DRIVE  
SAN JOSE, CA 95134

Executive Vice President &  
COO

Executive Vice President &  
COO

## Signatures

By: Joanne Norgart by pwr of attny For: Denis M.  
Berlan

11/10/2006

\_\_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) Exercise of non-qualified stock option granted 12/17/1996.

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