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APPLIED MATERIALS INC /DE Form 4 March 20, 2008 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Sweeney Joseph J Issuer Symbol APPLIED MATERIALS INC /DE (Check all applicable) [AMAT] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) C/O APPLIED MATERIALS. 03/18/2008 Sr. VP, GC & Corp. Secretary INC., P.O. BOX 58039, 3050 BOWERS AV, M/S 2023 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SANTA CLARA, CA 95054 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 7. Nature of 6. Transaction Disposed of (D) Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities Ownership (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial anv (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership or Indirect Following (Instr. 4) Reported (\mathbf{I}) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V (D) Price Amount Common 03/18/2008 \$ 16.275 348,690 (1) D Μ 40.000A Stock Common \$ 03/18/2008 S 40.000 D 308.690 (1) D 21.1026 Stock By the Common 9,992.492⁽²⁾ I 401(k) Stock Plan

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. Transactiv Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.275	03/18/2008		М	40,00	0 07/15/2004	10/19/2008	Common Stock	40,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Sweeney Joseph J C/O APPLIED MATERIALS, INC. P.O. BOX 58039, 3050 BOWERS AV, M/S 2023 SANTA CLARA, CA 95054			Sr. VP, GC & Corp. Secretary			
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Signatures

/s/ Joseph J. Sweeney 03/20/2008

<u>**</u>Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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Number of shares includes 256,000 performance shares (restricted stock units) previously reported that in the future will be converted on a one-for-one basis into shares of Applied Materials, Inc. common stock upon vesting, which vesting is scheduled to occur as follows: (a)

(1) 6,000 performance shares are scheduled to vest in two equal annual installments beginning 8/31/08, (b) 150,000 performance shares are scheduled to vest in three equal annual installments beginning 12/19/08, and (c) provided specified performance goals are achieved, 100,000 performance shares are scheduled to vest no earlier than in four equal annual installments beginning 12/19/08 (all vesting is subject to continued employment).

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(2) Increased number of shares reflects periodic payroll acquisitions and dividend reinvestment under 401(k) Plan that are exempt under Rule 16b-3.

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