

Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc.
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/31/2011

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

**GMT CAPITAL CORP, 2100
 RIVEREDGE PARKWAY SUITE
 840**

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

ATLANTA, GA 30328

(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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	01/31/2011		P	50,600 (1) (2) (3) A \$ 31.3	3,313,055 (4)	D	
Common Stock	02/01/2011		P	26,500 (1) (2) (5) A \$ 32.08	3,339,555 (6)	D	

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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

GMT CAPITAL CORP
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 2100 RIVEREDGE PARKWAY SUITE 840
 ATLANTA, GA 30328

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Signatures

Thomas E.
 Claugus 02/02/2011

__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) This Form 4 is being jointly filed by Bay Resource Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("Bay"), Bay II Resource Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("Bay II"), Bay Resource Partners Offshore Master Fund, L.P., an exempted limited partnership organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands ("Offshore Fund"), GMT Capital Corp., a Georgia corporation ("GMT Capital"), and Thomas E. Claugus, a United States citizen ("Claugus"). The foregoing persons are hereinafter sometimes collectively referred to as the Reporting Persons.

(2) GMT Capital, the general partner of Bay and Bay II, has the power to direct the affairs of Bay and Bay II, including the voting and disposition of shares. As the discretionary investment manager of the Offshore Fund and certain other accounts, GMT Capital has power to direct the voting and disposition of shares held by the Offshore Fund and such accounts. Mr. Claugus is the President of GMT Capital and in that capacity directs the operations of each of Bay and Bay II and the voting and disposition of shares held by the Offshore Fund and separate client accounts managed by GMT Capital. GMT Capital and Mr. Claugus may be deemed to beneficially own indirect pecuniary interest as the result of performance-based fees and profit allocations. Each of GMT Capital and Mr. Claugus disclaims such beneficial ownership except to the extent ultimately realized.

(3) The aggregate number of shares of common stock purchased was 50,600 shares and such shares were purchased by the Reporting Persons in the following amounts: Bay = 9,900 shares; Bay II = 11,800 shares; Offshore Fund = 26,300 shares; GMT Capital = 2,000 shares; Claugus = 600 shares.

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(4) 3,313,055 shares of common stock is the aggregate number of shares of common stock owned by the Reporting Persons and is owned as follows: Bay = 443,00 shares directly owned by it; Bay II = 939,400 shares directly owned by it; Offshore Fund = 1,705,955 shares directly owned by it; GMT Capital = 133,600 shares of common stock beneficially owned by it with respect to separate client accounts managed by it; Claugus = 91,100 shares directly owned by him.

(5) The aggregate number of shares of common stock purchased was 26,500 shares and such shares were purchased by the Reporting Persons in the following amounts: Bay = 5,200 shares; Bay II = 6,200 shares; Offshore Fund = 13,700 shares; GMT Capital = 1,100 shares; Claugus = 300 shares.

(6) 3,339,555 shares of common stock is the aggregate number of shares of common stock owned by the Reporting Persons and is owned as follows: Bay = 448,200 shares directly owned by it; Bay II = 945,600 shares directly owned by it; Offshore Fund = 1,719,655 shares directly owned by it; GMT Capital = 134,700 shares of common stock beneficially owned by it with respect to separate client accounts managed by it; Claugus = 91,400 shares directly owned by him.

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