

ALTERA CORP  
Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Hata William

(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)  
12/20/2013

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Sr VP, WW Ops & Engineering

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

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/20/2013		M	20,000 A \$ 23.47	140,659	D	
Common Stock	12/20/2013		S	20,000 (1) D \$ 31.378 (2)	120,659	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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.47 (3)	12/20/2013		M	20,000	(4) 01/05/2014	Common Stock 20,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hata William 101 INNOVATION DRIVE SAN JOSE, CA 95134			Sr VP, WW Ops & Engineering	

## Signatures

WILLIAM  
HATA  
12/23/2013

\*\*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) The sale was made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Sales Plan adopted by the Reporting Person on June 11, 2013.  
The 20,000 shares were sold in 9 lots ranging from 82 shares to 6,078 shares per lot. The sale price ranged between \$31.32 and \$31.40.
- (2) The price reported above represents the weighted average sale price. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to any security holder of Altera Corporation or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transactions were affected.
- (3) The per share exercise price for the Shares to be issued pursuant to exercise of an option shall be no less than 100% of the Fair Market Value per share on the date of Grant.
- (4) Subject to the Reporting Person's continuing employment and the provisions in the Altera's standard form of stock option agreement, the options shall commence vesting at 25% of the shares on the first anniversary of the grant date and monthly thereafter such that the option will be fully vested four years after the grant date.

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