

ADAPTEC INC  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF 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)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â STEEL PARTNERS II LP</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>590 MADISON AVENUE, 32ND FLOOR,Â</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>NEW YORK,Â NYÂ 10022</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>08/07/2009</p>	<p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>ADAPTEC INC [ADPT]</p>	<p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p>___ Director    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner ___ Officer    ___ Other (give title below) (specify below)</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p>___ Form filed by One Reporting Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock, \$.001 Par Value	12,089,719	D <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u> Â	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)  Title	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Amount or Number of Shares	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STEEL PARTNERS II LP 590 MADISON AVENUE, 32ND FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	^	^ X	^	^
Steel Partners LLC C/O STEEL PARTNERS II, L.P. 590 MADISON AVENUE, 32ND FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	^	^ X	^	^
LICHTENSTEIN WARREN G C/O STEEL PARTNERS II, L.P. 590 MADISON AVENUE, 32ND FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	^	^ X	^	^
STEEL PARTNERS HOLDINGS L.P. C/O STEEL PARTNERS II, L.P. 590 MADISON AVENUE, 32ND FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	^	^ X	^	^
STEEL PARTNERS II GP LLC C/O STEEL PARTNERS II, L.P. 590 MADISON AVENUE, 32ND FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	^	^ X	^	^

## Signatures

By: Steel Partners II, L.P., By: Steel Partners II GP LLC, General Partner, By: /s/ Sanford Antignas, as Attorney in Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein, Managing Member	08/12/2009
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
By: Steel Partners LLC, By: /s/ Sanford Antignas, as Attorney In Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein, Manager	08/12/2009
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
By: By: /s/ Sanford Antignas, as Attorney in Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein	08/12/2009
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
By: Steel Partners Holdings L.P., By: Steel Partners II GP LLC, General Partner, By: /s/ Sanford Antignas, as Attorney In Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein, Managing Member	08/12/2009
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
By: Steel Partners II GP LLC, By: /s/ Sanford Antignas, as Attorney In Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein, Managing Member	08/12/2009
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

This Form 3 is filed jointly by Steel Partners II, L.P. ("Steel Partners II"), Steel Partners Holdings L.P. ("Steel Holdings"), Steel Partners LLC ("Partners LLC"), Steel Partners II GP LLC ("Steel Partners GP") and Warren G. Lichtenstein. Steel Holdings, Partners LLC, Steel Partners GP and Mr. Lichtenstein may be deemed to be 10% owners of the Issuer and Steel Partners II is a 10% owner of the Issuer.

(1) The securities reported in this Form 3 are owned directly by Steel Partners II, and owned indirectly by Steel Holdings by virtue of it being the sole limited partner of Steel Partners II, by Partners LLC by virtue of it being the manager of Steel Partners II and Steel Holdings, by Steel Partners GP by virtue of it being the general partner of Steel Partners II and Steel Holdings and by Mr. Lichtenstein by virtue of his position as the manager of Partners LLC and the managing member of Steel Partners GP. Steel Holdings, Partners LLC, Steel Partners GP and Mr. Lichtenstein disclaim beneficial ownership of the shares owned by Steel Partners II except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein.

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