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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement ALTERA CORP [ALTR]  **BURICH MISHA** (Month/Day/Year) 03/22/2007 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 101 INNOVATION DRIVE (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting \_X\_\_ Officer \_X\_ Other Person SAN JOSE, CAÂ 95134 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Sr VP, Research & Development / Reporting Person Sr VP, Research & Development (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 4) Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Common Stock 4,286 D 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		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)
	Date Expirat Exercisable Date	Expiration	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative	Security:	
					Security	Direct (D)	
		Date				or Indirect	

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	12/03/2012	Common Stock	150,000	\$ 13.91	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(2)	01/03/2015	Common Stock	120,000	\$ 20.04	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(3)	12/03/2011	Common Stock	75,000	\$ 22.49	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(4)	01/05/2011	Common Stock	160,000	\$ 23.47	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(5)	01/05/2014	Common Stock	120,000	\$ 23.47	D	Â
Restricted Stock Unit (RSU)	(6)	01/30/2016	Common Stock	18,750	\$ <u>(7)</u>	D	Â
Restricted Stock Unit (RSU)	(6)	01/29/2017	Common Stock	30,000	\$ <u>(7)</u>	D	Â

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name /	Relationships				
Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
BURICH MISHA 101 INNOVATION DRIVE SAN JOSE Â CAÂ 95134	Â	Â	Sr VP, Research & Development	Sr VP, Research & Development	

#### **Signatures**

/s/ Misha Burich 03/29/2007

\*\*Signature of 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).
- (1) Exercisable in installments cumulatively with respect to 25% of the shares on December 3, 2003 and with respect to 2.083% of the shares each month there after.
- (2) Exercisable in installments cumulatively with respect to 25% of the shares on January 3, 2006 and with respect to 2.083% of the shares each month there after.
- (3) Exercisable in installments cumulatively with respect to 8.33% of the shares on February 1, 2005 and each month there after.
- (4) Exercisable in installments cumulatively with respect to 20% of the shares on July 5, 2004 and with respect to 3.33% of the shares each month there after.
- (5) Exercisable in installments cumulatively with respect to 25% of the shares on January 5, 2005 and with respect to 2.083% of the shares each month there after.
- (6) The RSU Award shares shall vest and become subject to release over a four (4) year period measured from the date of Award, provided that the Insider continues to serve as an employee on such dates.

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(7) Unless expressly determined otherwise by the Committee, prior services rendered to the Company by Participant shall constitute sufficient consideration for the payment of the par value per RSU (par value being \$0.01 per Share).

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