

Kirloskar Virendra A
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Kirloskar Virendra A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 KLA TENCOR CORP [KLAC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/18/2012

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 SVP & Chief Accounting Officer

C/O KLA-TENCOR CORPORATION, ONE TECHNOLOGY DRIVE

(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

MILPITAS, CA 95035

(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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 01/18/2012 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 13,166 | D | \$ 50 |
| Common Stock | 01/19/2012 | | M | | 760 | A | \$ 40.66 |
| Common Stock | 01/19/2012 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 760 | D | \$ 50.66 |
| Common Stock - Restricted Stock Units | | | | | | | 27,650 ⁽³⁾ |

(2)

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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 40.66 | 01/19/2012 | | M | 760 | ⁽⁴⁾ 08/02/2014 | Common Stock | 760 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Kirloskar Virendra A C/O KLA-TENCOR CORPORATION ONE TECHNOLOGY DRIVE MILPITAS, CA 95035 | | | SVP & Chief Accounting Officer | |

Signatures

Brian M. Martin as Attorney-in-Fact for Virendra A. Kirloskar
01/20/2012

**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 transaction was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on March 7, 2011.

(2) Each restricted stock unit ("RSU") represents a contingent right to receive one share of KLA-Tencor common stock.

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- Does not include performance-based RSUs, if any, held by the Reporting Person for which an assessment has not yet been made
- (3) regarding the achievement of the applicable performance goals. Any such holdings will be reported on Form 4 within two business days of the date such assessment is made.

- Represents a stock option granted on August 2, 2004, granting the Reporting Person the right to purchase up to 1,200 shares of
- (4) KLA-Tencor common stock. 240 of the shares subject to this stock option vested on the October 27, 2004, and 1/48 of the remaining 960 shares subject to this stock option vested on November 27, 2005 and each monthly anniversary thereafter until October 27, 2008.

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