## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5	
obligations may continue. See	
Instruction 1(b).	

#### EMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Name and Address of Reporting Person*     St Dennis Thomas					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol APPLIED MATERIALS INC /DE [ AMAT ]									heck all D	ship of Reporti applicable) rector fficer (give title		Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner Other (specify		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O APPLIED MATERIALS, INC. P.O. BOX 58039, 3050 BOWERS AV, M/S 2023						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/16/2008										X Ollicer (give title Other (sp. below)  Senior Vice President			
(Street) SANTA CLARA CA 95054 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X 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. Transac Date (Month/Da					tion 2A. Deemed Execution Date,		Transaction Di		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3,				d Se Be Ow	Amount of curities neficially ned Following ported	Form (D) or	vnership :: Direct r Indirect :str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code	v	Amount	(A (C	() or ()	Price	Tra	nsaction(s) str. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 12/16/2					/2008	2008		S		34,000	)	D	\$10.	48	356,250 <sup>(1)</sup>		D		
Common Stock															7,348.41 <sup>(2)</sup>		I	By the 401(k) Plan	
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)	ate Execution Date, Transa			Instr	n of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) of Dispo	r osed (, 3, 4	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Exercisable Expiratior Date			Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		ount nber	8. Price Derivativ Security (Instr. 5)	e derivative	y Di or (I)	D. wnership orm: irect (D) r Indirect ) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

## **Explanation of Responses:**

2. Increased number of shares reflects periodic allocation of accrued interest (which interest was automatically converted into shares) to all participants under 401(k) Plan that are exempt under Rule 16b-3.

/s/ Charmaine Mesina, 12/18/2008 Attorney-in-Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- \* 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).

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<sup>1.</sup> Number of shares consists of 356,250 performance shares (or restricted stock units) previously reported that in the future will be converted on a one-for-one basis into shares of Applied Materials, Inc. common stock upon vesting, which vesting is scheduled to occur as follows: (a) 25,000 performance shares are scheduled to vest on 7/15/09, (b) 12,500 performance shares are scheduled to vest on 8/31/09, (c) 168,750 performance shares are scheduled to vest in three equal annual installments beginning 12/19/08, and (d) provided specified performance goals are achieved, 150,000 performance shares are scheduled to vest no earlier than in four equal annual installments beginning 12/19/08 (all vesting is subject to continued employment).

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Charmaine Mesina and Mary Zeigler, signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer of Applied Materials, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5, complete and execute any amendment(s) thereto, and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 22nd day of September, 2005.

/s/ Thomas St. Dennis

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