FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person (Check all applicable) APPLIED MATERIALS INC /DE [AMAT] **HANDEL NANCY H** Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify X below) below) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) (Last) (First) (Middle) Senior VP & CFO 12/13/2005 C/O APPLIED MATERIALS, INC. P.O. BOX 58039, 3050 BOWERS AV. M/S 2023 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) (Street) Form filed by One Reporting Person SANTA CLARA CA 95054 Form filed by More than One Reporting (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2A. Deemed 2. Transaction 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Execution Date Transaction Form: Direct Code (Instr. 8) Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Beneficially if any (Month/Day/Year) (D) or Indirect Owned Following (I) (Instr. 4) Ownership Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (A) or (D) Price Code Amount (Instr. 3 and 4) Common Stock 104,192 D Performance Shares (or Restricted Stock Units) 12/13/2005 Α 50,000(2) Α 50,000 D Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying 1. Title of Derivative 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date 8. Price of Derivative 9. Number of derivative 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 11. Nature 10 Execution Date, Derivative Conversion action Ownership of Indirect (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) Security or Exercise if any Code (Instr. Securities Security Securities Form: Beneficial Acquired (A) or Disposed Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) Direct (D) or Indirect (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) 8) (Instr. 5) Beneficially Ownership (Instr. 4) Owned of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (I) (Instr. 4) Security **Following** Reported Transaction(s) Amount (Instr. 4) Number Date Expiration Code ν (A) (D) Exercisable Date Title of Shares Employee Common 08/31/2006⁽³⁾ 200,000 Option \$19.2 12/13/2005 Α 200 000 12/13/2012 \$0 200,000 D

Explanation of Responses:

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- 1. The performance shares will be converted on a one-for-one basis into shares of Applied Materials, Inc. common stock immediately upon vesting.
- 2. The performance shares are scheduled to vest in four equal annual installments beginning 8/31/06 (assuming continued employment).
- 3. Shares become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning 8/31/06 (assuming continued employment).

/s/ Mary Zeigler, Attorney-in-

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** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

12/15/2005

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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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 the principal accounting 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 Company's Secretary.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 9th day of September, 2002.

/s/ Nancy H. Handel ------Nancy H. Handel