FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* KIFER RON					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol APPLIED MATERIALS INC /DE [AMAT]										Check	all app	licable)		Ssuer Owner (specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O APPLIED MATERIALS, INC. P.O. BOX 58039, 3050 BOWERS AV, M/S 1268					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/19/2011										X	belov				
(Street) SANTA CLARA CA 95054					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					
(City)	(St	ate) (2	Zip)													Pers	on			
		Tabl	e I - Non-D	eriva	tive	Sec	uritie	s Acq	uired	, Dis	posed o	f, o	r Ben	eficia	ally (Owne	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Date				e	ay/Year) if a		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)				4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			4 and 5) So		ount of ties cially d Following	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		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(111511.4)			
Common Stock 12/19/									F		29,760	(1) D \$10		\$10	0.13 223,030 ⁽²⁾		D			
	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)	Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any				ransaction Code (Instr.		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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		Deriv Secu	Price of rivative curity str. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction((Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents shares that were automatically withheld upon vesting of performance shares (restricted stock units) to cover tax withholding obligations in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- 2. Number of shares includes 148,750 performance shares (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) 126,250 shares are scheduled to vest in installments during each December of 2012 through 2013; and (b) provided specified performance goals are achieved, 22,500 shares will be scheduled to vest in installments during each December of 2012 through 2013 (all vesting will be subject to continued employment through each vest date).

/s/ Charmaine Mesina, Attorney-in-Fact 12/21/2011

** 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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