FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Bowers Christopher P						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol APPLIED MATERIALS INC /DE [AMAT]										ck all applic	•		son(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O APPLIED MATERIALS, INC. 3050 BOWERS AV, M/S 2023 P.O. BOX 58039						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/17/2010										X Officer (give filler Other (specify below) Group Vice President				
(Street) SANTA CLARA CA 95054 (City) (State) (Zip)					_ 4. I	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Tab	le I - Noi	ո-Deri	vativ	e Se	curit	ies Ac	quire	d, Di	ispo	osed o	f, or B	enet	ficially	/ Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D						ar)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr.			4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)			A) or , 4 and		es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Cod	e v	1	Amount	(A) (D)	or I	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 12/17/							2010		М			50,000) <i>A</i>		\$8.58	215,	,000(1)		D	
Common Stock 12/17/						2010		S			50,000) [)	\$13.65	165,	,000(1)		D		
Common Stock 12/19/						2010			F			1,835(2	2) I)	\$13.61	163,	165 ⁽³⁾		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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year			of Securities		curity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e es ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Ex	piration te	Title	or Nu of	ımber					
Employee Stock Option (right to	\$8.58	12/17/2010			М			50,000	(4)		03/	/09/2014	Commo Stock	n 50	0,000	\$0	400,00	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Number of shares includes 165,000 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 will be scheduled to occur as follows: (a) 40,000 shares will be scheduled to vest in installments during each March of 2011 and 2012; (b) 20,000 shares will be scheduled to vest in installments during each December of 2010 through 2013; and (b) provided specified performance goals are achieved, 105,000 shares will be scheduled to vest in installments during each December of 2011 through 2014 (all vesting will be subject to continued employment through each vest date).
- 2. 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.
- 3. Number of shares includes 160,000 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 will be scheduled to occur as follows: (a) 40,000 shares will be scheduled to vest in installments during each March of 2011 and 2012; (b) 15,000 shares will be scheduled to vest in installments during each December of 2011 through 2013; and (b) provided specified performance goals are achieved, 105,000 shares will be scheduled to vest in installments during each December of 2011 through 2014 (all vesting will be subject to continued employment through each vest date).
- 4. 200,000 became exercisable on 4/1/2010 and 200,000 shares are scheduled to become exercisable on each of 4/1/2011 and 4/1/2012 (subject to continued employment through each vest date).

/s/ Charmaine Mesina, Attorney-in-Fact

12/21/2010

** 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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POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Charmaine Mesina and Yvonne Leyba signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attornev-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 10th day of March 2008.