

COHERENT INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
TOMLINSON LAWRENCE

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
COHERENT INC [COHR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
P.O. BOX 54980  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/07/2012

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

SANTA CLARA, CA 95056-0980  
(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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)
Common Stock	11/07/2012		M	A	\$ 27.93 9,800	D	
Common Stock	11/07/2012		M	A	\$ 15.21 15,800	D	
Common Stock	11/07/2012		M	A	\$ 32 21,800	D	
Common Stock	11/07/2012		S	D	\$ 43.604 0	D	
Common Stock					21,800 (1)		
					(2)		
Common Stock					3,200	I	Family Trust

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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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.93	11/07/2012		M	6,000	<sup>(3)</sup> 03/19/2018	Common Stock	6,000
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.21	11/07/2012		M	6,000	<sup>(3)</sup> 03/11/2019	Common Stock	6,000
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 32	11/07/2012		M	6,000	<sup>(3)</sup> 04/01/2020	Common Stock	6,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TOMLINSON LAWRENCE P.O. BOX 54980 SANTA CLARA, CA 95056-0980		X		

## Signatures

/s/ Bret DiMarco, Pursuant to Power of  
Attorney

11/09/2012

\_\_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) Sold Pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 sales plan adopted on May 27, 2012.
- (2) Represents the weighted average sales price for the shares. The range of prices for such sales was \$43.00 to \$44.06. The reporting person will provide upon request full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (3) The shares subject to the option are fully vested and exercisable.

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