

APPLIED MATERIALS INC /DE  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
**KIFER RON**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**APPLIED MATERIALS INC /DE [AMAT]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**12/12/2006**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Group VP & CIO**

**C/O APPLIED MATERIALS, INC., PO BOX 58039, 3050 BOWERS AVE, M/S 2023**

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**SANTA CLARA, CA 95054**

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code V  | Amount or Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 12/12/2006                           |  | A                              | (1)   | 122,000   | A  | \$ 0                              |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 139,500   | (2)  | D                                 |

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)**

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| 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer        | Other |
| KIFER RON<br>C/O APPLIED MATERIALS, INC.<br>PO BOX 58039, 3050 BOWERS AVE, M/S 2023<br>SANTA CLARA, CA 95054 |               |           | Group VP & CIO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Charmaine Mesina,  
Attorney-in-Fact 12/14/2006

\_\_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) Represents performance shares (or restricted stock units) that will be converted on a one-for-one basis into shares of Applied Materials, Inc. common stock immediately upon vesting, which vesting is scheduled to occur as follows: 50,000 performance shares are scheduled to vest in four equal annual installments beginning 8/31/07 and 72,000 performance shares are scheduled to vest in three equal annual installments beginning 8/31/07 (assuming continued employment).
  - (2) Includes 17,500 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 immediately upon vesting, which vesting is scheduled to occur in four equal annual installments beginning 5/1/07 (assuming continued employment).

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