

ALTERA CORP  
Form 8-K  
March 06, 2006

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 6, 2006

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**ALTERA CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**0-16617**  
(Commission File Number)

**77-0016691**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**101 Innovation Drive, San Jose, California**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**95134**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (408) 544-7000

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.**

(b) Departure of Principal Officer.

On March 6, 2006, Altera Corporation issued a press release announcing the planned retirement of Nathan M. Sarkisian, senior vice president and chief financial officer, by the end of 2006. A copy of the press release is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated March 6, 2006.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ALTERA CORPORATION

/s/ Katherine E. Schuelke  
Katherine E. Schuelke

Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Date: March 6, 2006

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press Release dated March 6, 2006