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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 Addre	1 0		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>KADANT INC</u> [KAI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) KADANT INC.			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2010	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP, GENERAL COUNSEL, SECRETARY
ONE TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE (Street) WESTFORD MA 01886 (City) (State) (Zip)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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)	Transaction Code (Instr.					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)
Common Stock	01/02/2010		М		6,450	Α	(2)	24,591	D	
Common Stock	01/02/2010		F		2,394	D	\$15.96	24,051 ⁽¹⁾	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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		of Expiratio		Expiration Da	Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0	01/02/2010		М			6,450	(2)	01/02/2010	Common Stock	6,450	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes 1854 shares acquired in an exempt transaction pursuant to the Issuer's ESPP on December 31, 2009.

2. The shares issued represent the final settlement under a restricted stock unit ("RSU") award granted May 24, 2007. The RSU vested 100% on 1/2/2010 and was converted to vested common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.

Remarks:

Sandra L. Lambert

** Signature of Reporting Person

<u>01/05/2010</u>

eporting 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).

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