FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  OBRIEN THOMAS M						KADANT INC [ KAI ]										(Che	eiationsnip o eck all applio Directo Officer	able)	g Pers	10% Ov Other (s	/ner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) KADANT INC.							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/10/2014											X below) CFO, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT					
ONE TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE						4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable						
(Street) WESTFORD MA 01886																	Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person						
(City)		State)		(Zip)																			
			Tab	le I - Noi	n-Deriv	ative S	Secu	rities A	cqı	uired,	Dis	pose	ed of,	or B	ene	ficiall	y Owned	l					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Trans. Date (Month/It					action Day/Year)	Exe if a	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)						es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
										Code	v	Amount		(A) (D)	or F	Price	Transact	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock 03/10						/2014				М		4	,799	A		(1)	20,	906		D			
Common Stock 03/10/						/2014				F		1,563		Г	:	\$40.07	7 19,	19,343		D			
Common Stock 03/10/					/2014				M		4,834		A		(2)	24	24,177		D				
Common Stock 03/10/						/2014				F		1,574		Г	:	\$40.07	7 22	22,603		D			
Common Stock 03/10/						/2014	2014			M		4,497		A		(3)	27	7,100		D			
Common Stock 03/10/						/2014	014		F		1,464		Г		\$40.07	7 25,	,636		D				
			7	Table II -				ties Ac warran									Owned						
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversio or Exercis Price of Derivative Security	n Date	saction n/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	1. Fransacti Code (Ins 3)	on con str. I	of E		Date Exc piration lonth/Da	Date		of U	7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly Di or	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

\$<mark>0</mark>

\$0

1. The shares represent the partial settlement under a RSU award granted 3/9/2011. One-third of the RSU vested on 3/10/2014 and was converted to common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.

Date

Exercisable

(1)

(2)

(3)

Expiration

03/10/2014

03/10/2015

03/10/2016

Title

Common

Stock

Common

Stock

Common

Stock

4,799(1)

4,834(2)

4,497(3)

\$0.

\$0.

\$0.

- 2. The shares represent the partial settlement under a RSU award granted 3/7/2012. One-third of the RSU vested on 3/10/2014 and was converted to common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.
- 3. The shares represent the partial settlement under a RSU award granted 3/6/2013. One-third of the RSU vested on 3/10/2014 and was converted to vested common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.

## Remarks:

Restricted

Stock Unit

Restricted

Stock Unit

Restricted

Stock Unit

by Sandra L. Lambert for Thomas M. O'Brien

03/11/2014

0.

4,835

8.995

D

D

D

\*\* 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).

03/10/2014

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\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Code

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(A) (D)

4,799

4,834

4,497

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