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1(b).

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Thakur Randhir Issuer Symbol APPLIED MATERIALS INC /DE (Check all applicable) [AMAT] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last) (First) (Middle) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O APPLIED MATERIALS. 12/19/2012 EVP & GM, Silicon Systems INC., P.O. BOX 58039, 3050 BOWERS AV, M/S 1268 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SANTA CLARA, CA 95054 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common \$ 45,679 12/19/2012 F D 1,185,309 (2) 11.34 Stock Common 12/20/2012 S 28.500 D $1,156,809 \stackrel{(2)}{=}$ Stock

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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By 401(k)

Plan

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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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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Thakur Randhir C/O APPLIED MATERIALS, INC. P.O. BOX 58039, 3050 BOWERS AV, M/S 1268 SANTA CLARA, CA 95054

EVP & GM, Silicon Systems

Signatures

/s/ Charmaine Mesina,

Attorney-in-Fact 12/21/2012

**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) Represents shares that were automatically withheld upon vesting of performance shares to cover tax withholding obligations in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (2) Number of shares includes: (a) 985,000 performance shares previously reported that in the future will be converted on a one-for-one basis into shares of Applied Materials, Inc. common stock upon vesting, which vesting will be scheduled to occur as follows: (i) 166,000 shares are scheduled to vest in installments during each December of 2013 and 2014; (ii) provided specified performance goals are achieved, 36,000 shares will be scheduled to vest in December 2013; (iii) provided specified performance goals are achieved, 483,000 shares will be scheduled to vest in installments during each December of 2013 through 2016, which number of shares is the target amount, and the actual number of shares that may vest ranges from 0% to 150% of the target amount, and the achievement of specified performance goals; and (iv) provided specified performance goals are achieved, 300,000 shares will be scheduled to vest in installments during each July of 2013 through 2016, which number of shares is the target amount, and the actual number of shares that may vest ranges from 0% to 150% of the target amount, depending on the achievement of specified performance goals; and (b) provided specified performance goals are achieved, 17,000 shares of restricted stock will be scheduled to vest in installments during each December of 2013

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through 2015, which number of shares is the target amount, and the actual number of shares that may vest ranges from 0% to 150% of the target amount, depending on the achievement of specified performance goals (all vesting is subject to continued employment through each applicable vest date).

(3) Increased number of shares reflects dividend reinvestment under the 401(k) Plan that are exempt under Rule 16b-3.

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