DiMarco Bret Form 4 May 04, 2012

### FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

P.O. BOX 54980

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* DiMarco Bret

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

COHERENT INC [COHR]

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

05/02/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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Director 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Exec VP & General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

SANTA CLARA, (	CA 95056-0980
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(City)	(State)	(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 3. Execution Date, if Transany Code			. 4. Securities Acquired (A) ransactionor Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	04/30/2012		J	V	404 (1)	A	\$ 41.174	14,536	D		
Common Stock	05/02/2012		M		7,084	A	\$ 23.16	21,620	D		
Common Stock	05/02/2012		M		7,000	A	\$ 26.16	28,620	D		
Common Stock	05/02/2012		S		20,073 (2)	D	\$ 52.668 (3)	8,547	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)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.16	05/02/2012		M	7,084	11/17/2011	11/17/2014	Common Stock	7,084
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.16	05/02/2012		M	7,000	11/20/2011	11/20/2015	Common Stock	7,000

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DiMarco Bret P.O. BOX 54980 SANTA CLARA, CA 95056-0980

Exec VP & General Counsel

**Signatures** 

Bret DiMarco 05/04/2012

\*\*Signature of Date

Reporting Person

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## **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) Purchase under employee stock purchase plan.
- (2) Sold Pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 sales plan adopted on February 10, 2012.
- (3) Represents the weighted average sales price for the shares. The range of prices for such sales was \$51.89 to \$53.52. The reporting person will provide upon request full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

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