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1(b).

(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 Sechrist Paul F Issuer Symbol COHERENT INC [COHR] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_ \_\_ Other (specify 5100 PATRICK HENRY DR 11/05/2012 below) **EVP Worldwide Sales & Services** 

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date 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

SANTA CLARA,, CA 95054

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	11/05/2012		M	1,500	A	\$0	16,652 (1)	D	
Common Stock	11/05/2012		F	551 <u>(2)</u>	D	\$ 43.81	15,101	D	
Common Stock	11/05/2012		M	333	A	\$ 0	15,434	D	
Common Stock	11/05/2012		F	123 (2)	D	\$ 43.81	15,311	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)	Code	5. Number out 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	Amoun or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 (3)	11/05/2012		M	1,500	11/05/2012(4)	11/05/2012	Common Stock	1,500
Restricted Stock Units Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 <u>(3)</u>	11/05/2012		M	333	11/05/2012(4)	11/05/2012	Common Stock	333

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Sechrist Paul F

Reporting Person

5100 PATRICK HENRY DR EVP Worldwide Sales & Services SANTA CLARA,, CA 95054

Signatures

Paul Sechrist 11/07/2012

\*\*Signature of Date

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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) Includes 111 shares acquired under the Issuer's employee stock purchase plan on October 31, 2012. Adjusted to correct a clerical error originally reported in the Reporting Person's Form 3 and in subsequent Form 4 reports.
- (2) Represents shares withheld to satisfy minimum tax withholding obligations for released restricted units.
- (3) Reporting Person received one share of common stock for each RSU that vested.
- (4) This Restricted Stock Unit award vests over three years with one third of the grant vesting on each of the subsequent anniversaries of the grant.

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