QUILLINAN ROBERT J

Form 4 May 04, 2006

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

QUILLINAN ROBERT J		Symbol COHERENT	INC [COHR]	Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) P.O. BOX 5	(First) (Midd	3. Date of Earlie (Month/Day/Yea 05/02/2006		_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
SANTA CL	(Street) ARA, CA 95056-09	4. If Amendmen Filed(Month/Day/	,	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State) (Zip	Table I - No	on-Derivative Securities A	cquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	an	xecution Date, if Trans	4. Securities Acquired action(A) or Disposed of (D (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 8) (A) or V Amount (D) Price	Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common	05/02/2006	S	5,000 D \$ 37.5	21,554 D			

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	ve Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivativ Securitie Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	4, and 5) (A) (D)		Expiration Date	0 N 0	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Transfer of the same of the sa	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
QUILLINAN ROBERT J P.O. BOX 54980 SANTA CLARA, CA 95056-0980	X					

Signatures

Scott H. Miller, by power of atty 05/03/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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