

ALTERA CORP  
Form 8-K  
October 23, 2012

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 23, 2012

ALTERA CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	0-16617 (Commission File Number)	77-0016691 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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101 Innovation Drive, San Jose, California (Address of principal executive offices)	95134 (Zip Code)
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (408) 544-7000

Not Applicable  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 23, 2012, Altera Corporation (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its financial results for the third quarter of 2012. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On October 15, 2012, the Company's board of directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.10 per common share. The quarterly dividend will be paid on December 3, 2012 to stockholders of record on November 13, 2012.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release dated October 23, 2012

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ALTERA CORPORATION

/s/ RONALD J. PASEK

Ronald J. Pasek  
Senior Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: October 23, 2012

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.      Description

99.1 Press release dated October 23, 2012