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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Perso ELKUS RICHARD J JR	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KLA TENCOR CORP [KLAC]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) C/O KLA-TENCOR CORPORA ROBLES	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/27/2003						Officer (give title below)Ot	her (specify belo	w)			
(Street) SAN JOSE, CA 95130		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				
(City) (State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqu					es Acqui	ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
1. Title of Security 2. Transacti (Instr. 3) Date (Month/Day			(Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				Ownership Form: 0f Ind Benefi	Beneficial		
		(Month/Day/Year)	Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	10/27/2003		М		5,000	А	\$ 37.05	105,000	D			
Common Stock	10/27/2003		S		5,000	D	\$ 53.47	100,000	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)															
Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	tion)	of Deri Secu Acq (A) Disp of (I	ivative urities uired or bosed D) tr. 3, 4,	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		and 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 37.05	10/27/2003		М			5,000	11/08/2002	11/08/2012	Common Stock	5,000	\$ 53.47	5,000	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 46.28							11/16/1999	11/16/2009	Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 47.23							11/09/2001	11/09/2011	Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D	

Reporting Owners

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
ELKUS RICHARD J JR C/O KLA-TENCOR CORPORATION 160 RIO ROBLES SAN JOSE, CA 95130	Х						

Signatures

By: Stuart J. Nichols For: Richard J. Elkus, Jr.	10/27/2003
Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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