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longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or

Qualified Stock

Option

(right to buy) Non-Qualified Stock

Option

(right to buy) Non-Qualified Stock

Option

(right to buy)

\$ 41.79

\$ 41.79

\$ 10.63

09/21/2004

09/21/2004

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175,000

75,800

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Typ	e Responses	)																	
	1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SCHROEDER KENNETH L				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) (Middle) C/O KLA-TENCOR CORPORATION, 160 RIO ROBLES				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/21/2004								X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  Chief Executive Officer							
(Street) SAN JOSE, CA 95130				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							
(City		(State)	(Zip)		Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned														
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye				Execution ear) any		ecution Date, if		ansacti r. 8)	(A	4. Securities Acqu (A) or Disposed o (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Benefic Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)			6. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
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Common	Stock												161,938			D			
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Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) any		Execution Date, if	4. Transac Code	Transaction Derivative Securities Acquired (or Dispose (D)		5. Number of 6. Derivative Execurities (Macquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		nte Exerc ration Da	Exercisable and		7. Titl of Und Securi	itle and Amount nderlying urities r. 3 and 4)			9. Number o Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(	Ownersh Form of Derivatir Security Direct (I or Indire	Benefici Ownersh (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	cisable	Expi Date	ration	Title		Amount or Number of Shares	(Instr. 4)		(Instr. 4	)	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 41.79	09/21/2004		A		75,000		09/2	21/2005	09/2	21/2014	Com		75,000	\$ 0	75,000	D		
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Common

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Common

Stock

175,000

75,800

79,272

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250,000

325,800

79,272

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07/01/2007 09/21/2014

09/21/2008 09/21/2014

08/31/1999 08/31/2008

Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.97			10/23/1999	10/23/2008	Common Stock	220,728	220,728	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.25			11/10/2001	11/10/2010	Common Stock	37,900	37,900	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.31			10/02/2002	10/02/2011	Common Stock	341,100	341,100	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 32.75			04/04/2002	04/04/2011	Common Stock	37,900	37,900	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 33.75			10/27/2000	10/27/2009	Common Stock	150,000	150,000	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 34.67			11/08/2003	01/28/2013	Common Stock	62,900	62,900	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 37.05			11/08/2003	11/08/2012	Common Stock	31,450	31,450	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 40.66			10/27/2006	08/02/2014	Common Stock	22,500	22,500	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 44.6875			08/13/2000	08/13/2010	Common Stock	75,800	75,800	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 45.16			10/27/2004	04/26/2014	Common Stock	37,500	37,500	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 51.229			11/08/2003	07/30/2013	Common Stock	31,450	31,450	D	

Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 53.86			10/27/2004	10/27/2013	Common Stock	60,000	60,000	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 58.10			10/27/2006	01/27/2014	Common Stock	30,000	30,000	D	

## **Reporting Owners**

		Relationships		
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SCHROEDER KENNETH L C/O KLA-TENCOR CORPORATION 160 RIO ROBLES SAN JOSE, CA 95130	X		Chief Executive Officer	

# **Signatures**

By: Stuart J. Nichols For: Kenneth Schroeder	09/23/2004
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

## **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).

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