FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| (Print or Typ | e Responses |) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | _ |
|--|---|--|----------------------------------|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--------------------------------------|---------------|--|---|---|--|---|--|--|---|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 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_ Director10% Owner | | | | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O KLA-TENCOR CORPORATION, 160 RIO ROBLES | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/22/2005 | | | | | | | | | Officer (give | title below) | | er (specify be | ow) | _ | |
| (Street) | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group FilingCheck Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | | | |
| SAN JOS | E, CA 951 | 130 | | | | | | | | | | | ro | orm med by N | tore than One F | Reporting Person | 1 | | |
| (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqui | | | | | | | ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye | | | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acqui or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | Owne Trans | | . Amount of Securities Beneficially byned Following Reported ransaction(s) (nstr. 3 and 4) | | Form: Direct (D) | Ownershi | of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | |
| | | | | | | Cod | Code V | | ount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | | | or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) | | |
| Common | Stock | | 11/22/2005 | | | M | | 2,50 | 00 | A 5 | \$ 51.35 | 67, | 67,500 | | | D | | | |
| Common Stock | | 11/22/2005 | | | | S | | 2,50 | 00 | | \$ 52.6097 | 65,0 | 65,000 | | | D | | | |
| | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | Code Derivative | | | varrant umber vative rities nired or osed 0) r. 3, 4, | quired, I s, option 6. Date 1 Expiration | Exercisable and ion Date (/Day/Year) | | | required valid O neficially rities) 7. Titl of Und Securi | quired to respond alid OMB control n icially Owned ies) 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) Beneficia Following Reported | 9. Number Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction | of 10. Ownersl Form of Derivati Security Direct (I or Indire | ship of Ind Benef tive Owne (y: (D) rect | 11. Natur of Indirec Beneficia Ownershi (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisa | ble | Exp Date | iration e | Title | | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | |
| Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 51.35 | 11/22/2005 | | М | | 2 | 2,500 | 08/02/2 | 2005 | 08/ | 02/201 | 2 Com Sto | | 2,500 | \$ 52.6097 | 0 | D | | |
| Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 59.44 | | | | | | | 11/05/2 | 2003 | 11/ | 05/201 | 3 Com Sto | mon ock | 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 | X | | | | | | |

Signatures By: Stuart J. Nichols For: Richard Elkus, Jr. Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

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