

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Thakur Randhir</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O APPLIED MATERIALS, INC.</u> <u>P.O. BOX 58039, 3050 BOWERS AV, M/S 1268</u>  (Street) <u>SANTA CLARA CA 95054</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>APPLIED MATERIALS INC /DE [ AMAT ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>EVP &amp; GM, Silicon Systems</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/19/2013</u>	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	12/19/2013		F		54,007 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$16.88	943,015 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock								4,127.677 <sup>(3)</sup>	I	By 401(k) Plan

**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Represents shares that were automatically withheld upon vesting of performance shares to cover tax withholding obligations in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- Changes in number of shares reflect (a) 36,000 performance shares previously reported that have been forfeited as specified performance goals were not fully achieved and (b) periodic payroll acquisitions under the Employees' Stock Purchase Plan that are exempt under Rule 16a-10 and Rule 16b-3. Number of shares includes: (a) 845,500 performance shares previously reported that in the future will be converted on a one-for-one basis into shares of Applied Materials, Inc. common stock upon vesting, which vesting will be scheduled to occur as follows: (i) 62,500 shares are scheduled to vest in December 2014; (ii) provided specified performance goals are achieved, 483,000 shares will be scheduled to vest in installments during each December of 2014 through 2016, which number of shares is the target amount, and the actual number of shares that may vest ranges from 0% to 150% of the target amount, depending on the achievement of specified performance goals; and (iii) provided specified performance goals are achieved, 300,000 shares will be scheduled to vest in installments during each July of 2014 through 2016, which number of shares is the target amount, and the actual number of shares that may vest ranges from 0% to 150% of the target amount, depending on the achievement of specified performance goals; and (b) provided specified performance goals are achieved, 17,000 shares of restricted stock will be scheduled to vest in installments during each December of 2014 and 2015, which number of shares is the target amount, and the actual number of shares that may vest ranges from 0% to 150% of the target amount, depending on the achievement of specified performance goals (all vesting is subject to continued employment through each applicable vest date).
- Increased number of shares reflects periodic payroll acquisitions and dividend reinvestment under 401(k) Plan that are exempt under Rule 16b-3.

/s/ Harpreet S. Bal, Attorney-in-Fact 12/23/2013

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* 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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POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Thomas F. Larkins, Harpreet S. Bal, Yvonne Leyba and To-Anh Nguyen, signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

(1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as a director or officer of Applied Materials, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;

(2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5, complete and execute any amendment(s) thereto, and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and

(3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 10th day of December, 2013.

/s/ Randhir Thakur

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Randhir Thakur