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## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

nt to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 

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Common S	Stock, \$.00	1 Par Value		12/11/	2009	curities Acqui	P <sup>(1)</sup> P <sup>(1)</sup>		34,178 30,386	Α	\$3.2 \$3.24	491 23	,436,857 ,467,243	D <sup>(2)(3)</sup> D <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	
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(City)	(Sta	ate) (	Zip)									A Per	son		
(Street) NEW YOI	RK NY	Z :	10022		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					Line) Forr <b>x</b> Forr		lual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Form filed by One Reporting Po Form filed by More than One R		son	
(Last) 590 MAD	(Fir ISON AVE	rst) ( ENUE, 32ND FI	Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/10/2009					belo	,	belov			
		Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> ERS II LP		2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ADAPTEC INC</u> [ ADPT ]						heck all ap: Dire	plicable) ctor		Owner		

Date Exercisable

(A) (D)

Expiration Date

Title

Amount or Number of Shares

	s of Reporting Perso	n	
STEEL PART	<u>'NERS II LP</u>		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	
590 MADISON	AVENUE, 32ND	FLOOR	
(Street)			
NEW YORK	NY	10022	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	
1. Name and Addres	s of Reporting Perso		
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(Last) (First) C/O STEEL PARTNERS II, L.P.

(Middle)

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STEEL PART	NERS HOLI	<u>DINGS L.P.</u>
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)
C/O STEEL PAR	TNERS II, L.P.	
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(Street)		
NEW YORK	NY	10022
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1. Name and Address		
STEEL PART	NERS II GP	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)
C/O STEEL PAR	TNERS II, L.P.	
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## Explanation of Responses:

1. The transactions reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Purchase Trading Plan Agreement adopted by Steel Partners II, L.P.

This Form 4 is filed jointly by Steel Partners II, L.P. ("Steel Partners II"), Steel Partners Holdings L.P. ("Steel Holdings"), Steel Partners LLC ("Partners LLC"), Steel Partners II GP LLC ("Steel Partners GP") and Warren G. Lichtenstein. Steel Holdings, Partners LLC, Steel Partners GP and Mr. Lichtenstein may be deemed to be 10% owners of the Issuer and Steel Partners II is a 10% owner of the Issuer.
 The securities reported in this Form 4 are owned directly by Steel Partners II, and owned indirectly by Steel Holdings by virtue of it being the sole limited partner of Steel Partners II, by Partners LLC by virtue of it being the manager of Steel Partners II and Steel Holdings, by Steel Partners GP by virtue of it being the general partner of Steel Partners II and Steel Holdings and by Mr. Lichtenstein by virtue of it being the general partners GP and Mr. Lichtenstein by virtue of wirtue of Steel Partners II and Steel Holdings, by Steel Partners GP. Steel Holdings, Partners LLC, Steel Partners GP and Mr. Lichtenstein disclaim beneficial ownership of the shares owned by Steel Partners II except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein.

By: Steel Partners II, L.P., By: Steel Partners II GP LLC, General Partner, By: /s/ Sanford Antignas, as Attorney 12/14/2009 in Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein, Managing Member By: Steel Partners LLC, By: /s/ Sanford Antignas, as Attorney 12/14/2009 In Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein, Manager By: /s/ Sanford Antignas, as Attorney in Fact for Warren G. 12/14/2009 Lichtenstein By: Steel Partners Holdings L.P., By: Steel Partners II GP LLC, General Partner, By: /s/ Sanford Antignas as Attorney 12/14/2009 In Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein, Managing Member By: Steel Partners II GP LLC, By: /s/ Sanford Antignas, as Attorney In Fact for Warren G. 12/14/2009 Lichtenstein, Managing Member \*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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