

Lowe Marcus D  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Lowe Marcus D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ADAPTEC INC [ADPT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
691 SOUTH MILPITAS BLVD.

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/16/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
VP, Marketing & Business Dev.

(Street)  
MILPITAS, CA 95035

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/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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/16/2009		F	1,834 (1) D \$ 3.29	11,499	D	
Common Stock					196	I	by Trust

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)

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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Lowe Marcus D 691 SOUTH MILPITAS BLVD. MILPITAS, CA 95035			VP, Marketing & Business Dev.	

## Signatures

/s/ Marcus D.  
Lowe

12/18/2009

\*\*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).
- (1) Represents shares that were automatically withheld to cover tax withholding obligations. On December 16, 2009, the Company accelerated 25% of the total restricted stock award granted on August 4, 2008 (as reported on Form 4 filed on August 6, 2008), not to exceed the unvested options as of November 6, 2009, as per the provisions of the 2004 Equity Incentive Plan.

### Remarks:

- On December 16, 2009, the Company accelerated 25% of the total stock options granted on November 13, 2008 (as reported on Form 4 filed on November 13, 2008).
- On December 16, 2009, the Company accelerated 25% of the total stock options granted on August 4, 2008 (as reported on Form 4 filed on August 6, 2008).
- On December 16, 2009, the Company accelerated 25% of the total stock options granted on July 11, 2005 (as reported on Form 4 filed on July 11, 2005).

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