

Langevin Eric T
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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 *
 Langevin Eric T

(Last) (First) (Middle)

KADANT INC., ONE
 TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE

(Street)

WESTFORD, MA 01886

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 KADANT INC [KAI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 01/01/2011

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 ___X___ Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)

EXECUTIVE VP AND COO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 ___X___ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	01/01/2011		M	3,315 A	22,258	D	
Common Stock	01/01/2011		F	1,192 D \$ 23.57	22,632 (2)	D	

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)

Table with columns: 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 (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), Amount or Number of Shares. Row 1: Restricted Stock Unit, \$ 0, 01/01/2011, M, 3,315, (1), 01/01/2011, Common Stock, 3,315.

Reporting Owners

Table with columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships (Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other). Row 1: Langevin Eric T, KADANT INC., ONE TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE, WESTFORD, MA 01886; Relationships: EXECUTIVE VP AND COO.

Signatures

Sandra L. Lambert for Eric T. Langevin 01/04/2011 **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) The shares issued represent the final settlement under a restricted stock unit ("RSU") award granted March 8, 2008. The RSU vested 100% on 01/01/2011 and was converted to vested common stock on a one-for-one basis on the vesting date.
(2) Includes 1566 shares acquired in an exempt transaction pursuant to the Issuer's ESPP on December 31, 2010.

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