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Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc.  
Form SC 13G/A  
February 18, 2014

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

(Amendment No. 9) \*

KRATON PERFORMANCE POLYMERS, INC.

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(Name of Issuer)

COMMON STOCK, \$0.01 Par Value

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(Title of Class of Securities)

50077C106

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(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2013

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(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

Bay Resource Partners, L.P.  
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2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

(a)

(b)

-----  
3 SEC USE ONLY  
-----

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware  
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5 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF  
SHARES NONE

BENEFICIALLY

OWNED BY 6 SHARED VOTING POWER

EACH 273,000

REPORTING  
PERSON

WITH 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

NONE

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

273,000  
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9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

273,000  
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10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES  
[ ] (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

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11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9 0.8%  
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12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)  
PN  
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Bay II Resource Partners, L.P.

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2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

(a)

(b)

-----  
3 SEC USE ONLY

-----  
4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

-----  
5 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF  
SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY

NONE

-----  
OWNED BY

6 SHARED VOTING POWER

EACH  
REPORTING  
PERSON

515,300

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WITH

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

NONE

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8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

515,300

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9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

515,300

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10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES  
[ ] (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

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11 PERCENTAGE OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9 1.6%

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12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)  
PN

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Bay Resource Partners Offshore Master Fund, L.P.

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(a)

(b)

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3 SEC USE ONLY

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4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Cayman Islands

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	5	SOLE VOTING POWER
NUMBER OF SHARES		NONE
BENEFICIALLY	-----	-----
OWNED BY	6	SHARED VOTING POWER
EACH		866,703
REPORTING	-----	-----
PERSON	7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
WITH		NONE
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	8	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
		866,703

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9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

866,703

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10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES  
[ ] (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

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11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9 2.7%

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12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

PN

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1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)  
  
GMT Capital Corp.  
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2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)  
(a)   
(b)

-----  
3 SEC USE ONLY  
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4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
  
State of Georgia  
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	5	SOLE VOTING POWER	
NUMBER OF SHARES		NONE	
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY	6	SHARED VOTING POWER	
EACH			
REPORTING		1,736,203	
PERSON	7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER	
WITH		NONE	
	8	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER	
		1,736,203	

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
  
1,736,203  
-----

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES  
[ ] (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9 5.3%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)  
IA  
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1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS  
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Thomas E. Claugus

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2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)  
(a)  [X]  
  
(b)  [ ]  
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3 SEC USE ONLY  
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4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

United States  
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5 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF 55,900  
SHARES

BENEFICIALLY

OWNED BY

6 SHARED VOTING POWER

EACH

REPORTING

1,736,203

PERSON

WITH

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

55,900

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

1,736,203  
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9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

1,792,103  
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10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES  
[ ] (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9 5.8%  
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12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

IN  
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Explanatory Note:

This Amendment No. 9 amends and supplements Amendment No. 8 (Amendment No. 8) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on February 27, 2013, which amended and supplemented Amendment No. 7 (Amendment No. 7) to Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on December 31, 2012, which amended and supplemented Amendment No. 6 (Amendment No. 6) to Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on October 4, 2011, which amended and supplemented Amendment No. 5 (Amendment No. 5) to Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on August 30, 2011, which

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amended and supplemented Amendment No. 4 (Amendment No. 4) to Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on July 13, 2011, which amended and supplemented Amendment No. 3 (Amendment No. 3) to Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on December 15, 2010, which amended and supplemented Amendment No. 2 (Amendment No. 2) to Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on November 23, 2010, which amended and supplemented the Amendment No. 1 to Schedule 13G filed with the SEC on October 8, 2010, which amended and supplemented the Schedule 13G originally filed with the SEC on August 18, 2010 by the Reporting Persons.

ITEM 1(A) NAME OF ISSUER:

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KRATON PERFORMANCE POLYMERS, INC.

ITEM 1(B) ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES:

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15710 John F. Kennedy Blvd.  
Suite 300  
Houston, TX 77032

ITEM 2(a) NAME OF PERSON FILING:

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- (i) Bay Resource Partners, L.P. (Bay), with respect to shares of Common Stock directly owned by it.
  - (ii) Bay II Resource Partners, L.P. (Bay II), with respect to shares of Common Stock directly owned by it.
  - (iii) Bay Resource Partners Offshore Master Fund, L.P. (Offshore Fund) with respect to shares of Common Stock directly owned by it, as the successor to Bay Resource Partners Offshore Fund, Ltd.
  - (iv) GMT Capital Corp. (GMT Capital) with respect to shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by it.
  - (v) Thomas E. Claugus, (Mr. Claugus), with respect to the shares of Common Stock directly owned by him and directly owned by each of Bay, Bay II, and the Offshore Fund and GMT Capital separate account clients.

The foregoing persons are hereinafter sometimes collectively referred to as the Reporting Persons. Any disclosures herein with respect to persons other than the Reporting Persons are made on information and believe after making inquiry to the appropriate party.

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Reporting Person is based upon 32,528,011 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of October 28, 2013, as disclosed in the Issuers Form 10-Q filing for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2013, filed with the SEC on November 1, 2012. This Statement is being filed with respect to an aggregate of 1,792,103 shares of Common Stock, resulting in beneficial ownership of Common Stock as follows:

1. Bay Resource Partners, L.P.,
  - (a) Amount Beneficially owned: 273,000
  - (b) Percent of Class: 0.8%
  - (c) (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-
  - (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 273,000

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- (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 273,000

2. Bay II Resource Partners, L.P.
  - (a) Amount Beneficially owned: 515,300
  - (b) Percent of Class: 1.6%
  - (c) (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-
  - (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 515,300
  - (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-
  - (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 515,300
3. Bay Resource Partners Offshore Master Fund, L.P.
  - (a) Amount Beneficially owned: 866,703
  - (b) Percent of Class: 2.7%
  - (c) (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-
  - (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 866,703
  - (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-
  - (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 866,703
4. GMT Capital Corp.
  - (a) Amount Beneficially owned: 1,736,203
  - (b) Percent of Class: 5.3%
  - (c) (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-
  - (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 1,736,203
  - (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-
  - (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 1,736,203
5. Thomas E. Claugus
  - (a) Amount Beneficially owned: 1,792,103
  - (b) Percent of Class: 5.5%
  - (c) (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: 55,900
  - (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 1,736,203
  - (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: 55,900
  - (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 1,736,203

ITEM 5. OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS. N/A

ITEM 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON.

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GMT Capital, the general partner of Bay and Bay II, has the power to direct the affairs of Bay and Bay II, including the voting and disposition of shares. As the discretionary investment manager of the Offshore Fund and certain other accounts, GMT Capital has power to direct the voting and disposition of shares held by the Offshore Fund and such accounts. Mr. Claugus is the President of GMT Capital and in that capacity directs the operations of each of Bay and Bay II and the voting and disposition of shares held by the Offshore Fund and separate client accounts managed by GMT Capital.

ITEM 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY OR CONTROL PERSON.



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N/A

ITEM 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP.  
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See Item 2.

ITEM 9. NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP.  
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N/A

ITEM 10. CERTIFICATION.

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I hereby certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

February 17, 2014

/s/ George E. Case, III  
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George E. Case, III, as Vice President of GMT Capital Corp., for itself and as the general partner of (i) Bay Resource Partners, L.P. and (ii) Bay II Resource Partners, L.P., and for the investment manager of (iii) Bay Resource Partners Offshore Master Fund, L.P. and (iv) certain other accounts and for Thomas E. Clausus

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