

BALAKRISHNAN BALU
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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 *
BALAKRISHNAN BALU

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
POWER INTEGRATIONS INC [POWI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
5245 HELLYER AVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/15/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
President and CEO

SAN JOSE, CA 95138

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Price			
Common Stock	05/15/2012		M	5,000 A \$ 18.95	256,579	I	by Trust
Common Stock	05/15/2012		S	5,000 D \$ 42.5	251,579	I	by Trust
Common Stock					67,722	D	

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(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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.95	05/15/2012		M	5,000 <u>(1)</u>	01/08/2003 01/08/2013	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BALAKRISHNAN BALU 5245 HELLYER AVE SAN JOSE, CA 95138			President and CEO	

Signatures

By: /s/ Eric Verity Attorney In Fact For: Balu
Balakrishnan
Date: 05/17/2012

__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) This sale is pursuant to a 10B5-1 Sales Plan

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