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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 \*  
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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)  
 11/16/2009

\_\_\_\_ 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)  
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(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 or Price		
Common Stock	11/16/2009		M		8,333 A \$ 2.86	82,497	D
Common Stock	11/16/2009		S		8,333 D \$ 3.27	74,164	D
Common Stock	11/16/2009		S		1,667 D \$ 3.27	72,497	D
Common Stock	11/16/2009		S		11,435 D \$ 3.28	61,062	D
Common Stock	11/16/2009		S		65 D \$ 3.2801	60,997	D

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Common Stock	11/16/2009	S	31,814	D	\$ 3.29	29,183	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2009	S	5,200	D	\$ 3.28	23,983	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2009	S	4,738	D	\$ 3.25	19,245	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2009	S	2,700	D	\$ 3.2501	16,545	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2009	S	3,212	D	\$ 3.25	13,333	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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.86	11/16/2009		M	8,333	<sup>(1)</sup> 08/03/2016	Common Stock	8,333

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

/s/ Marcus D.  
Lowe

11/18/2009

\_\_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).

A total of 100,000 stock options were granted on 08/03/2009, of which 46,748 are Incentive Stock options and 53,252 are Non-Qualified

- (1) Stock Options. The aggregate of these options vest at the rate of 8.33% of the total option shares at the end of each three month period, such that the total option shares will be fully vested on 08/03/2012.

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