

Fogarty Kevin Michael
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Fogarty Kevin Michael

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc.
 [KRA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 01/05/2011

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

C/O KRATON PERFORMANCE POLYMERS, 15710 JOHN F. KENNEDY BLVD, SUITE 300

(Street)

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

HOUSTON, TX 77032

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|------------|--------|---|--|
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 01/05/2011 ⁽¹⁾ | | M | | 20,918 | A | | \$ 13.512 | 72,824 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/05/2011 ⁽¹⁾ | | S | | 20,918 | D | | \$ 31.1527 | 51,906 | 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)

| 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 |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Employee Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 13.512 | 01/05/2011 ⁽¹⁾ | | M | 20,918 | ⁽³⁾ 06/19/2018 | Common Stock | 20,918 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Fogarty Kevin Michael C/O KRATON PERFORMANCE POLYMERS 15710 JOHN F. KENNEDY BLVD, SUITE 300 HOUSTON, TX 77032 | X | | President and CEO | |

Signatures

/s/ Stephen W. Duffy As Attorney-in-Fact for Kevin Fogarty
Date: 01/06/2011

**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) Transacted under a 10b5-1 plan that was adopted on November 18, 2010.

The price in column 4 is a weighted average. The prices actually received ranged from \$31.00 to \$31.30. For all transactions reported in (2) this Form 4 utilizing a weighted average price, the reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range.

(3) 89,048 of the options reported above have vested and are immediately exercisable. The remaining options vest June 19, 2011, subject to the Reporting Person being employed by the Company or its affiliates or subsidiaries on the vesting date.

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