SPINELLI LUIS Form 4 August 08, 2012

# FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SPINELLI LUIS			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol COHERENT INC [COHR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(Last) (First) (Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
P. O. BOX 54	(First) (Middl (54980 (Street)		(Month/Day/Year) 04/30/2012	Director 10% Owner Nother (give title Other (specify below) Exec VP, CTO			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
SANTA CLARA, CA 95056-0980			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transactionor Dispo Code (Instr. 3, (Instr. 8)			(A) or		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)
Common Stock	04/30/2012	04/30/2012	Code	V V	Amount 358 (1)	` ´	Price \$ 41.174	6,688	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2012	08/06/2012	S		2,014	D	\$ 49.602 (2)	4,674	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2012	08/06/2012	M		3,000	A	\$ 23.16	7,674	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2012	08/06/2012	S		3,000	D	\$ 49.1051 (3)	4,674	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)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Share
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.16	08/06/2012	08/06/2012	M	3,000	11/17/2010	11/17/2014	Common Stock	3,0

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SPINELLI LUIS

1. Title of

P. O. BOX 54980 Exec VP, CTO

SANTA CLARA, CA 95056-0980

### **Signatures**

Luis Spinelli 08/08/2012

\*\*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) Purchase under employee stock purchase plan
- (2) Represents the weighted average sales price for the shares. The range for such sales was \$49.60 to \$49.63.
- (3) Represents the weighted average sales price for the shares. The range for such sales was \$49.00 to \$49.45.

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