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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person Tremblay Stephen E.	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 C/O KRATON PERFORMANCE POLYMERS, 15710 JOHN F. KENNEDY BLVD, SUITE 300	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) CFO and Vice President		
(Street) HOUSTON, TX 77032	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit ord Dispos (Instr. 3, 4)	ed of (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	01/07/2011(1)		M	24,527	A	\$ 13.512	39,329	D	
Common Stock	01/07/2011(1)		S	24,527	D	\$ 31.8196 (2)	14,802	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 orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Derivative Expiration Date (Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.512	01/07/2011(1)		M	24,527	<u>(3)</u>	06/19/2018	Common Stock	24,527

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			-	
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

Tremblay Stephen E.

C/O KRATON PERFORMANCE POLYMERS 15710 JOHN F. KENNEDY BLVD, SUITE 300 HOUSTON, TX 77032

CFO and Vice President

Relationships

Signatures

/s/ Stephen W. Duffy As Attorney-in-Fact for Stephen E.

Tremblay 01/10/2011

**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 9, 2010.
- The price in column 4 is a weighted average. The prices actually received ranged from \$31.69 to \$32.31. 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.
- 3,413 of the options reported herein have vested and are immediately exercisable. The remaining 59,206 options will vest on June 19,(3) 2011, subject to Stephen E. Tremblay (the "Reporting Person") being employed by the company or its affiliates or subsidiaries on the vesting date.

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