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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(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Clark Jason

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc.

[KRA]

(Check all applicable) 10% Owner Director

Chief Accounting Officer

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/05/2012

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

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

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Middle)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price

Common Stock

03/05/2012

Code V Amount 2,322 \$0

7,241

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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 28.42	03/05/2012		A	4,970	<u>(2)</u>	03/05/2022	Common Stock	4,970

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Officer Other

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

03/07/2012

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

Chief Accounting Officer

Signatures

/s/ Stephen W. Duffy As Attorney-in-Fact for Jason P. Clark

**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) The award shall vest in full on the third anniversary of the grant date, March 5, 2012, subject to the executive's being employed by the company on the vesting date.
- (2) The options shall vest with respect to one-third of the underlying common stock on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date, March 5, 2012, subject to the executive's being employeed by the company on the vesting date.

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