

Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc.
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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 *
DEMETRIOU STEVEN J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77032

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/28/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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. 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)	8. (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Options (right to buy)	\$ 13.9	01/28/2010		A	1,850	(1) 01/28/2020	Common Stock	1,850	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DEMETRIOU STEVEN J C/O KRATON PERFORMANCE POLYMERS 15710 JOHN F. KENNEDY BLVD, SUITE 300 HOUSTON, TX 77032	X			

Signatures

/s/ Stephen W. Duffy on behalf of Steven J. Demetriou
 Demetriou
 **Signature of Reporting Person
 01/29/2010
 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 options shall vest with respect to 50% of the underlying common stock on each of the first two anniversaries of December 1, 2009.

Remarks:

Stephen W. Duffy is signing on behalf of Steven J. Demetriou pursuant to an authorization and designation letter dated Decem

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