**CREE INC** Form 4 October 26, 2009

# FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** Form 4 or

Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* KURTZWEIL JOHN T

(First)

C/O CREE, INC., 4600 SILICON

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CREE INC [CREE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 10/22/2009

(Street)

(Middle)

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

EXECUTIVE VP, CFO, TREASURER

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

#### DURHAM, NC 27703

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acquire	d, Disposed of, o	r 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) onor Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of 6 Securities C Beneficially F Owned D Following o Reported (I	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
COMMON STOCK	10/22/2009		M	10,000	A	\$ 20.5	49,768	D	
COMMON STOCK	10/22/2009		S <u>(1)</u>	900	D	\$ 44.02	48,868	D	
COMMON STOCK	10/22/2009		S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 44.03	48,768	D	
COMMON STOCK	10/22/2009		S(1)	310	D	\$ 44.04	48,458	D	
COMMON STOCK	10/22/2009		S <u>(1)</u>	590	D	\$ 44.0401	47,868	D	

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COMMON STOCK	10/22/2009	S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 44.045	47,768	D
COMMON STOCK	10/22/2009	S(1)	2,000	D	\$ 44.061	45,768	D
COMMON STOCK	10/22/2009	S <u>(1)</u>	500	D	\$ 44.26	45,268	D
COMMON STOCK	10/22/2009	S <u>(1)</u>	1,000	D	\$ 44.2601	44,268	D
COMMON STOCK	10/22/2009	S <u>(1)</u>	1,500	D	\$ 44.34	42,768	D
COMMON STOCK	10/22/2009	S <u>(1)</u>	2,000	D	\$ 44.35	40,768	D
COMMON STOCK	10/22/2009	S(1)	500	D	\$ 44.38	40,268	D
COMMON STOCK	10/22/2009	S <u>(1)</u>	300	D	\$ 44.39	39,968	D
COMMON STOCK	10/22/2009	S(1)	200	D	\$ 44.4	39,768	D
COMMON STOCK	10/22/2009	S(1)	2,000	D	\$ 44.5053	37,768	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title ar Underlyir (Instr. 3 a
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
NONQUALIFIED STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 20.5	10/22/2009		M	10,000	10/02/2007(2)	10/02/2013	COMM

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# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KURTZWEIL JOHN T C/O CREE, INC. 4600 SILICON DRIVE DURHAM, NC 27703

EXECUTIVE VP, CFO, TREASURER

# **Signatures**

Tamara Cappelson, Attorney-In-Fact

\*\*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 sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by Mr. Kurtzweil on June 5, 2009.
- (2) Option vested as to 23,334 shares on October 2, 2007 and as to 23,333 shares on October 2, 2008 and October 2, 2009.

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