## PALMOUR JOHN W

Form 4 March 04, 2010

# 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).

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PALMOUR JOHN W			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CREE INC [CREE]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) C/O CREE, II DRIVE	(First) NC., 4600 SIL	(Middle)	3. Date of F (Month/Day 03/02/20	y/Year)	nsaction		_	_X Director Officer (give ti		Owner or (specify	
(Street)  DURHAM, NC 27703			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)	(Zip)	Table	I - Non-De	rivative Sec	urities	Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction I (Month/Day/Ye	ear) Execution any	emed ion Date, if /Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities on(A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4	posed o	of (D)	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	03/02/2010			S(1)	100,000	D	\$ 70 (2)	324,331	D (3)		

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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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
PALMOUR JOHN W C/O CREE, INC. 4600 SILICON DRIVE DURHAM, NC 27703	X							

# **Signatures**

John W.
Palmour

\*\*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 Dr. Palmour on December 4, 2009.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$69.75 to \$70.28, inclusive. Dr. Palmour undertakes to provide to Cree, Inc., any security holder of Cree, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- (3) Of the 324,331 shares reported, 284,331 shares are held directly and 40,000 shares are held indirectly by Dr. Palmour's spouse.

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