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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 *
SIMONET HELENE

(Last) (First) (Middle)

P. O. BOX 54980

(Street)

SANTA CLARA, CA 95056-0980

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
COHERENT INC [COHR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
10/29/2010

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)
Exec VP and CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	10/29/2010		J	V 145 ⁽¹⁾ A \$ 32.504	23,774	D	
Common Stock	11/10/2010		M	11,781 A \$ 32.95	35,555	D	
Common Stock	11/10/2010		S	⁽²⁾ 11,781 D ⁽³⁾ 43.4662	23,774	D	
Common Stock	11/11/2010		M	8,308 A \$ 32.95	32,082	D	
Common Stock	11/11/2010		S	⁽²⁾ 8,308 D ⁽⁴⁾ 43.204	23,774	D	

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Common Stock	11/12/2010	M	2,835	A	\$ 32.95	26,609	D
Common Stock	11/12/2010	S	<u>2,835</u> (2)	D	<u>\$ 42.597</u> (5)	23,774	D
Common Stock	11/15/2010	M	4,286	A	\$ 32.95	28,060	D
Common Stock	11/15/2010	S	<u>4,286</u> (2)	D	<u>\$ 42.2423</u> (6)	23,774	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 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
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 32.95	11/10/2010		M	11,781	04/15/2009 10/03/2013	Common Stock 11,781
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 32.95	11/11/2010		M	8,308	04/15/2009 10/03/2013	Common Stock 8,308
Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 32.95	11/12/2010		M	2,835	04/15/2009 10/03/2013	Common Stock 2,835

