

ADAPTEC INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
STEEL PARTNERS II LP

(Last) (First) (Middle)

590 MADISON AVENUE, 32ND FLOOR,

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ADAPTEC INC [ADPT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
10/20/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_X\_\_\_ 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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock, \$.001 Par Value	10/20/2009		P <sup>(1)</sup>		241,651	A	\$ 3.2452
					13,805,547	D <sup>(2)</sup> <sup>(3)</sup>	
Common Stock, \$.001 Par Value	10/20/2009		P <sup>(1)</sup>		10,000	A	\$ 3.25
					13,815,547	D <sup>(2)</sup> <sup>(3)</sup>	
Common Stock, \$.001 Par Value	10/21/2009		P <sup>(1)</sup>		190,009	A	\$ 3.249
					14,005,556	D <sup>(2)</sup> <sup>(3)</sup>	

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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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STEEL PARTNERS II LP 590 MADISON AVENUE, 32ND FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022		X		
Steel Partners LLC C/O STEEL PARTNERS II, L.P. 590 MADISON AVENUE, 32ND FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022		X		
LICHTENSTEIN WARREN G C/O STEEL PARTNERS II, L.P. 590 MADISON AVENUE, 32ND FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022		X		
STEEL PARTNERS HOLDINGS L.P. C/O STEEL PARTNERS II, L.P. 590 MADISON AVENUE, 32ND FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022		X		
STEEL PARTNERS II GP LLC C/O STEEL PARTNERS II, L.P. 590 MADISON AVENUE, 32ND FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022		X		

## Signatures

By: Steel Partners II, L.P., By: Steel Partners II GP LLC, General Partner, By: /s/ Jack L. Howard, as Attorney in Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein, Managing Member	10/22/2009
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
By: Steel Partners LLC, By: /s/ Jack L. Howard, as Attorney In Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein, Manager	10/22/2009
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
By: /s/ Jack L. Howard, as Attorney in Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein	10/22/2009
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
By: Steel Partners Holdings L.P., By: Steel Partners II GP LLC, General Partner, By: /s/ Jack L. Howard, as Attorney In Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein, Managing Member	10/22/2009
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
By: Steel Partners II GP LLC, By: /s/ Jack L. Howard, as Attorney In Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein, Managing Member	10/22/2009
__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 transactions reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Purchase Trading Plan Agreement adopted by Steel Partners II, L.P.
- This Form 4 is filed jointly by Steel Partners II, L.P. ("Steel Partners II"), Steel Partners Holdings L.P. ("Steel Holdings"), Steel Partners LLC ("Partners LLC"), Steel Partners II GP LLC ("Steel Partners GP") and Warren G. Lichtenstein. Steel Holdings, Partners LLC, Steel Partners GP and Mr. Lichtenstein may be deemed to be 10% owners of the Issuer and Steel Partners II is a 10% owner of the Issuer.
- (3) The securities reported in this Form 4 are owned directly by Steel Partners II, and owned indirectly by Steel Holdings by virtue of it being the sole limited partner of Steel Partners II, by Partners LLC by virtue of it being the manager of Steel Partners II and Steel Holdings, by Steel Partners GP by virtue of it being the general partner of Steel Partners II and Steel Holdings and by Mr. Lichtenstein by virtue of his position as the manager of Partners LLC and the managing member of Steel Partners GP. Steel Holdings, Partners LLC, Steel Partners GP and Mr. Lichtenstein disclaim beneficial ownership of the shares owned by Steel Partners II except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein.

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