ADAPTEC INC

| FORM 3   | <b>CALC Washington</b> , D.C. 20549 |                |   |  | OMB                              | PROVAL   |   |                       |
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| INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF<br>SECURITIES<br>Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934<br>Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Sect<br>30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 |                                     |                |   |  | t of 1934,                       | Number:<br>Expires:<br>Estimated av<br>burden hour<br>response |   |                       |
| (Print or Type Respo   | nses)                               |                |   |  |                                  |  |   |                       |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting       2. Date of Experiment         Person *       Statement         Â STEEL PARTNERS II LP       (Month/Day/         (Last)       (First)       (Middle)   |                                     | /Day/Year)     | ADAPTEC<br>4. Relationship                    | INC [ADP'                                | Τ]                               | nbol<br>Amendment, Date Original<br>(Month/Day/Year)           |   |                       |
| 590 MADISON AVENUE,<br>32ND FLOOR,Â  |                                     |                |   | Person(s) to Is<br>(Check                | suer<br>all applicable)          |  |   |                       |
| <sup>(St)</sup><br>NEW YORK,Â  | reet)<br>NYÂ 10022                  |                |   | Director<br>Officer<br>(give title below | X10%<br>Other<br>(specify below) | Filing<br>(w) Fo<br>Person                                     | ividual or Joint<br>(Check Applicab<br>orm filed by One<br>orm filed by Mor | le Line)<br>Reporting |
| (City) (St   | ate) (Zip)                          |                | Table I - N                                   | Non-Derivati                             | ive Securiti                     |  | ing Person  |                       |
| 1.Title of Security<br>(Instr. 4)  |                                     | 2. Amount o    | 2. Amount of Securities<br>Beneficially Owned |  |                                  | of Indirect Beneficial   |   |                       |
| Common Stock,  | \$.001 Par Va                       | lue            | 12,360,18                                     | 7  | D (1)                            | Â  |   |                       |
| Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of secu<br>owned directly or indirectly.<br>Persons who respond to the c<br>information contained in this f   |                                     |                | the collection of                             | collection of                            |                                  | EC 1473 (7-02)   |   |                       |
|  |                                     | espond unle    | ss the form disp                              |  |                                  |  |   |                       |
| Table  | II - Derivative S                   | Securities Ber | neficially Owned (e                           | .g., puts, calls,                        | warrants, opt                    | tions, convert   | ible securities)  |                       |

| 1. Title of Derivative Security | 2. Date Exercisable and | 3. Title and Amount of | 4.          | 5.         | 6. Nature of Indirect |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------|------------|-----------------------|
| (Instr. 4)                      | Expiration Date         | Securities Underlying  | Conversion  | Ownership  | Beneficial Ownership  |
|                                 | (Month/Day/Year)        | Derivative Security    | or Exercise | Form of    | (Instr. 5)            |
|                                 |                         | (Instr. 4)             | Price of    | Derivative |                       |
|                                 |                         | Title                  | Derivative  | Security:  |                       |
|                                 |                         |                        | Security    | Direct (D) |                       |

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| Date        | Expiration | Amount or | or Indirect |
|-------------|------------|-----------|-------------|
| Exercisable | Date       | Number of | (I)         |
|             |            | Shares    | (Instr. 5)  |

## **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   |            | Relations | hips    |       |            |  |
|--|------------|-----------|---------|-------|------------|--|
|  |            | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |            |  |
| STEEL PARTNERS II LP<br>590 MADISON AVENUE, 32ND FLOOR<br>NEW YORK, NY 10022                                 | Â          | X         | Â       | Â     |            |  |
| STEEL PARTNERS LLC<br>C/O STEEL PARTNERS II, L.P.<br>590 MADISON AVENUE, 32ND FLOOR<br>NEW YORK, NY 10022    | Â          | ÂX        | Â       | Â     |            |  |
| LICHTENSTEIN WARREN G<br>C/O STEEL PARTNERS II, L.P.<br>590 MADISON AVENUE, 32ND FLOOR<br>NEW YORK, NY 10022 | Â          | ÂX        | Â       | Â     |            |  |
| Signatures   |            |           |         |       |            |  |
| By: Steel Partners II, L.P., By: Steel Partner<br>as Attorney in Fact for Warren G. Lichtenste               | 03/13/2007 |           |         |       |            |  |
| <u>**</u> Signature  | Date       |           |         |       |            |  |
| By: Steel Partners, L.L.C., By: /s/ Lauren Iso<br>Lichtenstein, Managing Member                              | 03/13/2007 |           |         |       |            |  |
| <u>**</u> Signature  | Date       |           |         |       |            |  |
| By: /s/ Lauren Isenman, as Attorney in Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein                                       |            |           |         |       | 03/13/2007 |  |

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## **Explanation of Responses:**

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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This Form 3 is filed jointly by Warren G. Lichtenstein, Steel Partners, L.L.C. ("Steel LLC") and Steel Partners II, L.P. ("Steel LP"). Mr. Lichtenstein and Steel LLC are deemed to be 10% owners of the Issuer and Steel LP is a 10% owner of the Issuer. The securities reported
(1) in this Form 3 are owned directly by Steel LP, and owned indirectly by Steel LLC by virtue of it being the general partner of Steel LP and

by Mr. Lichtenstein by virtue of his position as the sole executive officer and managing member of Steel LLC. Steel LLC and Mr. Lichtenstein disclaim beneficial ownership of the shares owned by Steel LP except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein.

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