

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**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(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)  
09/17/2008

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)

\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_X\_ 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, \$.001 Par Value	09/17/2008		P <sup>(1)</sup>	2,513 A \$ 3.2	21,276,313	D <sup>(2)</sup> <sup>(3)</sup>	
Common Stock, \$.001 Par Value	09/18/2008		P <sup>(1)</sup>	100,000 A \$ 3.1817	21,376,313	D <sup>(2)</sup> <sup>(3)</sup>	

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 Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
				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 II GP LLC C/O STEEL PARTNERS II, L.P. 590 MADISON AVENUE, 32ND FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022		X		
Steel Partners II Master Fund L.P. MORGAN STANLEY FUND SERVICES LTD CRICKET SQ FL2 BOUNDARY HALL HUTCHINS DR BOX 2681 GRAND CAYMAN KY1-1111		X		

## Signatures

By: Steel Partners II, L.P., By: Steel Partners II GP LLC, General Partner, By: /s/ Sanford Antignas, as Attorney in Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein, Managing Member	09/19/2008
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
By: Steel Partners LLC, By: /s/ Sanford Antignas, as Attorney In Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein, Manager	09/19/2008
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
By: By: /s/ Sanford Antignas, as Attorney in Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein	09/19/2008
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
By: Steel Partners II GP LLC, By: /s/ Sanford Antignas, as Attorney In Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein, Managing Member	09/19/2008
__Signature of Reporting Person	Date
By: Steel Partners II Master Fund L.P., By: Steel Partners II GP LLC, General Partner, By: /s/ Sanford Antignas, as Attorney In Fact for Warren G. Lichtenstein, Managing Member	09/19/2008
__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.

(2) This Form 4 is filed jointly by Steel Partners II, L.P. ("Steel Partners II"), Steel Partners II GP LLC ("Steel GP LLC"), Steel Partners II Master Fund L.P. ("Steel Master"), Steel Partners LLC ("Partners LLC") and Warren G. Lichtenstein. Steel GP LLC, Steel Master, Partners LLC 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 GP LLC by virtue of it being the general partner of Steel Partners II and Steel Master, by Steel Master by virtue of it being the sole limited partner of Steel Partners II, by Partners LLC by virtue of it being the investment manager of Steel Partners II and Steel Master and by Mr. Lichtenstein by virtue of his position as the manager of Partners LLC and the managing member of Steel GP LLC. Steel GP LLC, Steel Master, Partners LLC 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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