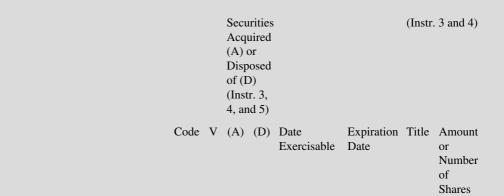
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	UNITED	NITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549							3235-0287	
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obligations may continue. <i>See</i> Instruction 1(b).	Section 17(a) of the H	Public U	tility Hol	ding Co		of 1935 or Secti			
(Print or Type Respon	ises)									
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u></u> GAUTHIER HENRY E			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
		COHERENT INC [COHR]				(Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) P. O. BOX 54980			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/30/2006			X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify				
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original				below) below) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
SANTA CLARA	,	-0980		nth/Day/Yea	-	11	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by Form filed by	-	erson	
	State)						Person			
(City) (S	State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Securities A	Acquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
	nsaction Date th/Day/Year)	2A. Deeme Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) or 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)	
Reminder: Report on	a separate line	ofor each cla	ass of sec	urities bene	Perso inforr requi	ons who res nation cont red to resp ays a curre	or indirectly. spond to the colle tained in this forn ond unless the fo ntly valid OMB co	n are not rm	SEC 1474 (9-02)	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration Date	Amount of	Derivative	Deriv
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Reporting Owners

Derivative

Security

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
FB	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
GAUTHIER HENRY E P. O. BOX 54980 SANTA CLARA, CA 95056-0980	Х						
Signatures							
Scott H. Miller, by power of atty	04/03/	/2006					
**Signature of Reporting Person	Dat	e					

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).

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