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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HILLER NORBERT		ting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CREE INC [CREE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
C/O CREE, II DRIVE	NC., 4600 S	SILICON	(Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2014	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)		
DURHAM, N	IC 27703			_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State) (Z	Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed 4 and : (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)
COMMON STOCK	09/01/2014		F(1)	3,881	D	\$ 45.56	46,198	D	
COMMON STOCK	09/02/2014		A(2)	13,000	A	\$ 0	59,198	D	
COMMON STOCK	09/03/2014		F(3)	1,658	D	\$ 45.13	57,540	D	
COMMON STOCK							1,572	I	BY SPOUSE

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title at Underlyii (Instr. 3 a
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
NONQUALIFIED STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 45.13	09/02/2014		A	13,000	09/02/2015(4)	09/02/2021	COMM STOO
NONQUALIFIED STOCK OPTION	\$ 45.13	09/02/2014		A	1,125	09/02/2015 <u>(5)</u>	09/02/2021	COMM

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HILLER NORBERT C/O CREE, INC. 4600 SILICON DRIVE DURHAM, NC 27703

(RIGHT TO BUY)

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

Signatures

Norbert Hiller 09/03/2014

**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) Disposition of shares back to the company to satisfy withholding obligations related to stock awards vesting September 1, 2014.
- (2) Restricted stock unit vesting in four equal annual installments commencing September 1, 2015.
- (3) Disposition of shares back to the company to satisfy withholding obligations related to stock award vesting September 3, 2014.
- (4) Option vests as to 4,334 shares on September 2, 2015 and as to 4,333 shares on September 2, 2016 and September 2, 2017.

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(5) Option vests in three equal annual installments commencing September 2, 2015.

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