APPLERA CORP Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WINGER DENNIS L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol APPLERA CORP [ABI/CRA]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
APPLERA CORPORATION, 301			05/03/2006	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
MERRITT 7				Senior Vice President and CFO			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
NORWALK, CT 06851-1070				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-Do	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Pransaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Securities Acquired ion(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Form: Beneficial Direct (D) Ownership or Indirect (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)		
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006		Code V M	Amount 21,667	(D)	Price \$ 15.54	55,828.2555	D	
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006		S(1)	58	D	\$ 29.18	55,770.2555	D	
Applied Biosystems	05/03/2006		S <u>(1)</u>	522	D	\$ 29.06	55,248.2555	D	

Group Common Stock							
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S(1)	232	D	\$ 29.05	55,016.2555	D
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	464	D	\$ 29.04	54,552.2555	D
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	232	D	\$ 29.03	54,320.2555	D
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S(1)	232	D	\$ 29.01	54,088.2555	D
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	871	D	\$ 29	53,217.2555	D
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	290	D	\$ 28.99	52,927.2555	D
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	232	D	\$ 28.98	52,695.2555	D
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	232	D	\$ 28.97	52,463.2555	D
Applied Biosystems Group	05/03/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	232	D	\$ 28.95	52,231.2555	D

Common Stock							
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	464	D	\$ 28.94	51,767.2555	D
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	232	D	\$ 28.91	51,535.2555	D
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	812	D	\$ 28.89	50,723.2555	D
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	348	D	\$ 28.88	50,375.2555	D
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	754	D	\$ 28.86	49,621.2555	D
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S(1)	232	D	\$ 28.85	49,389.2555	D
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S(1)	638	D	\$ 28.84	48,751.2555	D
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S(1)	523	D	\$ 28.83	48,228.2555	D
Applied Biosystems Group Common	05/03/2006	S(1)	522	D	\$ 28.82	47,706.2555	D

Stock						
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S(1)	116	D	\$ 47,590.2555 D)
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	406	D	\$ 28.8 47,184.2555 D)
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	464	D	\$ 46,720.2555 D)
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S(1)	464	D	\$ 46,256.2555 D)
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S(1)	464	D	\$ 45,792.2555 D)
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	696	D	\$ 45,096.2555 D)
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	580	D	\$ 44,516.2555 D)
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	928	D	\$ 43,588.2555 D)
Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	05/03/2006	S(1)	580	D	\$ 28.7 43,008.2555 D)

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 onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or Nu of
Applied Biosystems Group Employee Stock Options-Right to Buy	\$ 15.54	05/03/2006		M	21,667	(2)	03/24/2013	Applied Biosystems Group Common Stock	21

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WINGER DENNIS L APPLERA CORPORATION 301 MERRITT 7 NORWALK, CT 06851-1070

Senior Vice President and CFO

Signatures

/s/ Thomas P. Livingston, Attorney-In-Fact for Dennis L.
Winger

05/05/2006

**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) Reflects sale by independent third-party administrator under the issuer's Insider Diversification Program.
- (2) These options originally became exercisable in four equal annual installments, commencing March 24, 2004. Effective January 20, 2005, the vesting of all of these options was accelerated. However, shares received upon the exercise of accelerated options are subject to a

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restriction on transfer (covering sales, gifts, pledges, and any other method of disposition) that will remain in effect until the earlier of the original vesting date of those options or termination of the reporting person's employment with the issuer.

Remarks:

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