

LAFOND CHRISTOPHER
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FORM 4

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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 *
LAFOND CHRISTOPHER

(Last) (First) (Middle)
56 TOP GALLANT ROAD, P.O. BOX 10212
(Street)

STAMFORD, CT 06904-2212

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GARTNER INC [IT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/14/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
CFO & EVP

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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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 | (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 12/14/2010 | | M | | 72,000 | A | \$ 14.44 |
| Common Stock | 12/14/2010 | | D | | 31,784 (2) | D | \$ 32.71 |
| Common Stock | 12/14/2010 | | F | | 17,273 (3) | D | \$ 32.71 |
| Common Stock | 12/15/2010 | | S | | 22,943 | D | \$ 32.7191 (4) |

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Stock Appreciation Rights | \$ 14.44 | 12/14/2010 | | M | 72,000 | 05/15/2007 ⁽¹⁾ 05/15/2013 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| LAFOND CHRISTOPHER 56 TOP GALLANT ROAD P.O. BOX 10212 STAMFORD, CT 06904-2212 | | | CFO & EVP | |

Signatures

/s/ Jane Lucas for Chris Lafond 12/16/2010

**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) This award is fully exercisable.
- (2) Represents the simultaneous sale back to the issuer of this number of shares having an aggregate value, based on the market price on the date of exercise, substantially equal to the aggregate exercise price of the SARs.
- (3) Represents shares withheld from the settlement of the SARs for the payment of applicable income and payroll tax withholding due upon exercise.
- (4) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$32.6385 to \$32.81. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

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