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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Smith William Maxwell

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

FLUIDIGM CORP [FLDM]

(First) (Middle) (Last)

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

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

FLUIDIGM CORPORATION, 7000 SHORELINE COURT SUITE 100

05/18/2011

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

below) below) VP, Legal Affairs & GC

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

> (State) (Zip) (City)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of 6. Ownership Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned (I) Following Reported

Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of

Indirect

or Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

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)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 1. Title of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Derivative Conversion

5. Number of TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of 8 Underlying Securities

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		(
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to	\$ 14.6	05/18/2011		A	40,000		<u>(1)</u>	05/17/2021	Common Stock	40,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Smith William Maxwell FLUIDIGM CORPORATION 7000 SHORELINE COURT SUITE 100 SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

VP, Legal Affairs & GC

Signatures

/s/ Vikram Jog, attorney-in-fact 05/20/2011

**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 option is exercisable at the rate of 1/48th of the shares on June 18, 2011 and 1/48th of the shares on each monthly anniversary thereafter, such that the option will be fully exercisable on May 18, 2015.

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