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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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02/28/2006

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * VON ARX DOLPH W			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CREE INC [CREE]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of E				(Chec	k all applicable	e)	
, ,	` '		(Month/Day	/Year)	, action		_X_ Director		Owner	
C/O CREE, IN DRIVE	NC., 4600 SIL	ICON	02/28/200	06			below)	title Other below)	er (specify	
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
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DURHAM, N	C 27703						Person		r8	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I	- Non-Deri	ivative Sec	curities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of	2. Transaction l	Date 2A. D	Deemed	3.	4. Securit	ies	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of	
Security	(Month/Day/Ye	ear) Execu	ution Date, if	Transactio	•		Securities	Ownership	Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any	1.05 (57.)	Code	Disposed	` '	Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial	
		(Mon	th/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4	4 and 5)	Owned	(D) or	Ownership	
							Following Reported	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
						(A)	Transaction(s)	(111501.4)		
						or	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code V	Amount	(D) Price	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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V 6,100 D \$0 754,826

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

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				~					of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
VON ARX DOLPH W C/O CREE, INC. 4600 SILICON DRIVE DURHAM, NC 27703	X						

Signatures

Dolph W. von
Arx

**Signature of Reporting Person

Dolph W. von

03/02/2006

Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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Of the 754,826 shares beneficially owned, (1) 5,000 shares are held directly; (2) 216,492 shares are held directly in a revocable living (1) trust; (3) 474,834 shares are held indirectly in a Grantor Retained Annuity Trust (GRAT); and (4) 58,500 shares are held indirectly in an individual retirement account (IRA).

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