

Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc.
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 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 *

GMT CAPITAL CORP
 (Last) (First) (Middle)

GMT CAPITAL CORP, 2100 RIVEREDGE PARKWAY SUITE 840

(Street)

ATLANTA, GA 30328

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)
 12/13/2010

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Kraton Performance Polymers, Inc. [KRA]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer Other
 (give title below) (specify below)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	418,100 (1) (2) (3)	D	^
Common Stock	909,800 (1) (2) (4)	D	^
Common Stock	1,608,655 (1) (2) (5)	D	^
Common Stock	128,900 (1) (2) (6)	D	^
Common Stock	88,800 (1) (2) (7)	D	^

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

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