AtriCure, Inc. Form 8-K December 14, 2006

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549** 

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT** 

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) of the

**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934** 

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 12, 2006

AtriCure, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction

000-51470 (Commission File Number) 34-1940305 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

6033 Schumacher Park Drive

West Chester, OH (Address of principal executive offices)

45069 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (513) 755-4100

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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#### Item 8.01. Other Events.

We announced today that we and certain of our officers have been named as defendants in purported securities class action lawsuits filed in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. The suits allege violations of the federal securities laws and seek damages on behalf of purchasers of our common stock during the period from our Initial Public Offering in August 2005 through February 16, 2006. We believe that these allegations are without merit and we intend to vigorously defend against them.

We do not intend to file further Current Reports on Form 8-K describing any additional lawsuits that may be filed that are based on allegations substantially similar to those described above.

A copy of the press release announcing the filing of the lawsuit is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

### No. Description

99.1 Press Release of AtriCure, Inc. dated as of December 14, 2006.

### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ATRICURE, INC.

By: /s/ David J. Drachman David J. Drachman President and Chief Executive Officer

Dated: December 14, 2006

## EXHIBIT LIST

No.

**Description**Press Release of AtriCure, Inc. dated as of December 14, 2006. 99.1