

TOOHEY DAVID
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | |
| TOOHEY DAVID | | (Month/Day/Year) | ALERE INC. [ALR] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| | | 04/13/2012 | | |
| C/O ALERE INC., 51 | | | (Check all applicable) | |
| SAWYER ROAD, SUITE 200 | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Director | <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner |
| (Street) | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| | | | (give title below) | (specify below) |
| | | | President, Intl Bus. Operation | |
| WALTHAM, MA 02453 | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person | |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 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 | 9,087 | D | |

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

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

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
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| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Amount or Number of Shares | or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | 09/30/2002 | 08/23/2012 | Common Stock 151 | \$ 15.55 D Â |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | 12/17/2008 | 12/17/2014 | Common Stock 25,000 | \$ 24.25 D Â |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | 02/28/2011 | 02/28/2017 | Common Stock 15,000 | \$ 42.26 D Â |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | 12/31/2011 | 12/31/2017 | Common Stock 40,000 | \$ 56.18 D Â |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | Â (1) | 06/30/2019 | Common Stock 14,444 | \$ 35.58 D Â |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | Â (2) | 10/31/2021 | Common Stock 20,000 | \$ 26.06 D Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| TOOHEY DAVID C/O ALERE INC. 51 SAWYER ROAD, SUITE 200 WALTHAM, MA 02453 | Â | Â | Â President, Intl Bus. Operation | Â |

Signatures

/s/ David Toohey 04/18/2012

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) These options become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning 6/30/2010.
- (2) These options become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning 10/31/2012.

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