

KRUSE ADRIAN F  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
KRUSE ADRIAN F

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O AWARE INC, 40 MIDDLESEX  
TURNPIKE

(Street)

BEDFORD, MA 01730

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AWARE INC /MA/ [AWRE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/20/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)<br>Code V Amount (D) Price                             | 10,000  | 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 Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |              |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Appreciation Right                   | \$ 2.52  | 05/20/2009                           |  | A                              | 6,000   | (1)  | 05/20/2019  | Common Stock | 6,000                      |
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 3.44  |                                      |  |                                |   | (2)  | 05/23/2018  | Common Stock | 37,200                     |
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 5.06  |                                      |  |                                |   | (3)  | 02/12/2017  | Common Stock | 27,500                     |
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 5.58  |                                      |  |                                |   | (4)  | 02/22/2010  | Common Stock | 12,500                     |
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 6.18  |                                      |  |                                |   | (5)  | 02/16/2015  | Common Stock | 20,000                     |
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 2.95  |                                      |  |                                |   | (6)  | 09/08/2014  | Common Stock | 10,000                     |
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 3.27  |                                      |  |                                |   | (7)  | 10/14/2013  | Common Stock | 25,000                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| KRUSE ADRIAN F<br>C/O AWARE INC<br>40 MIDDLESEX TURNPIKE<br>BEDFORD, MA 01730 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Adrian F.  
Kruse

05/22/2009

\*\*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) Vests in 8 equal quarterly installments on the last day of each quarter from June 30, 2009 through March 31, 2011 and is exercisable upon the date the reporting person ceases to serve on the board of directors of Aware, Inc. or expiration, whichever is sooner.
- (2) Vests in 8 equal quarterly installments on the last day of each quarter from June 30, 2008 through March 31, 2010.
- (3) Vests in 16 equal quarterly installments on the last day of each quarter from March 31 2007 through December 31, 2010.
- (4) Vests in 16 equal quarterly installments on the last day of each quarter from March 31 2006 through December 31, 2009.
- (5) Vests in full on February 16, 2005.
- (6) 50% vests on September 8, 2004, the remaining 50% vests in 8 equal quarterly installments of 6.25%, beginning as of December 31, 2004, until fully vested.
- (7) Option vests in 16 equal quarterly installments of 6.25%, beginning as of December 31, 2003, until fully vested.

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