FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, [D.C.	20549
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MCLAUGHLIN KEVIN F					or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Vericel Corp [VCEL]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner							
	RICEL COI	RPORATION	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/03/2023									Officer below)	(give title		Other (specify below)		
64 SIDNEY STREET (Street) CAMBRIDGE MA 02139 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
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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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code (I 8)				6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		De Se	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e S Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares							
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$32.12	05/03/2023			A		8,000		(1)	0	5/03/2033	Common Stock	8,000		\$0	8,000)	D		
Restricted Stock Unit	(2)	05/03/2023			Α		3,200		(3)		(4)	Common	3,200		\$ <mark>0</mark>	3,200)	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The option vests over a 1-year period, in equal monthly increments, contingent upon continued service to the Company.
- 2. Each Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock of Vericel Corporation.
- 3. These RSUs vest 100% on the earlier of May 3, 2024 or the date of the first Annual Meeting of Stockholders following May 3, 2023.
- 4. No expiration date for this type of award.

/s/ Sean Flynn, as Attorney-in-Fact for Kevin McLaughlin

05/05/2023

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * 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).

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