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## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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Instruction 1(b).

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addres	s of Reporting Persor RARD J	)*	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Vericel Corp [ VCEL ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
				x	Officer (give title	Other (specify			
(Last)(First)(Middle)C/O VERICEL CORPORATION64 SIDNEY STREET		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/11/2020		below) CFO and VP, Corp. De	below) velopment			
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) CAMBRIDGE	MA	02139			X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Report				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			Person				

### 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. Transa Code ( 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150. 4)

 
 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. Transa Code ( 8)		of		6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye	te	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$18	02/11/2020		A		84,445		05/11/2020 <sup>(1)</sup>	02/11/2030	Common Stock	84,445	\$0	84,445	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$18	02/11/2020		A		5,555		05/11/2020 <sup>(1)</sup>	02/11/2030	Common Stock	5,555	\$0	5,555	D	
Restricted Stock Unit	(2)	02/11/2020		A		12,000		(3)	(4)	Common Stock	12,000	\$0	12,000	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. These options shall begin vesting on February 11, 2020 and shall vest and become exercisable in equal quarterly installments over the course of the following four (4) year period.

2. Each Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock of Vericel Corporation.

3. These RSUs vest in four annual installments with the initial vesting of RSUs granted to the Reporting Person on February 11, 2021. The remaining RSUs will vest in annual installments on February 11, 2022, February 11, 2023, and February 11, 2024, respectively.

4. No expiration date for this type of award.

## Remarks:

/s/ Gerard Michel

02/13/2020

Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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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