FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Instruction 10.

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Addres	ss of Reporting Persor	*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Vericel Corp [VCEL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
Colangelo De	<u> </u>				Director Officer (give title	10% Owner Other (specify		
(Last) 64 SIDNEY STE	(First) (Middle) NEY STREET		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) $10/16/2024$	V	President and CEO			
(Street) CAMBRIDGE	MA	02139	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indivi	idual or Joint/Group Filing (Form filed by One Report Form filed by More than 0	ting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			Person	one reporting		

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 6. Ownership 7. Nature 5. Amount of Securities 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) **Execution Date** Transaction Form: Direct of Indirect Beneficial if any (Month/Day/Year) Code (Instr. 8) (Month/Day/Year) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Owned Following Ownership (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) eaction(s) (A) or (D) ٧ Price Code Amount (Instr. 3 and 4) 10/16/2024 M 17,500 238,437(1) D Common Stock \$3.02 Α Common Stock 10/16/2024 S 17,500 $D^{(2)}$ \$41.38 220,937(1) D Common Stock 10/17/2024 M 17.500 \$3.02 238,437(1) D A Common Stock 10/17/2024 S 17,500 $D^{(2)}$ \$40.34 220,937(1) D

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

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)		nsaction de (Instr. 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 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)	\$3.02	10/16/2024		M		17,500		(3)	(4)	Common Stock	17,500	\$0	52,500	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$3.02	10/17/2024		М		17,500		(3)	(4)	Common Stock	17,500	\$0	35,000	D	

- 1. These shares include shares acquired pursuant to the Issuer's 2015 Employee Stock Purchase Plan in transactions that were exempt under both Rule 16b-3(d) and Rule 16b-3(e).
- 2. The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected by an automatic sale pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on September 1, 2023.
- 3. These options, representing the right to purchase 440,000 shares, became exercisable in equal quarterly installments, contingent upon continued service to the Company, with the first vesting date on April 5, 2015, which was one quarter after the date on which the option was granted.
- 4. These options, which were awarded on January 5, 2015, would otherwise expire and become forfeitable on January 5, 2025.

/s/ Sean Flynn, as Attorney-in-

Fact for Dominick C. 10/18/2024

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** 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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