FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>GILMAN STEVEN C</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Vericel Corp [ VCEL ]							elationship deck all applic	cable) or	10	% Owr	ner	
(Last)	`	rst) RPORATION	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/04/2016							Officer below)	(give title		Other (specify below)		
64 SIDNEY STREET					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street)  CAMBRIDGE MA 02139												X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(Si	tate)	(Zip)														
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
Date				Transactior ate lonth/Day/Y	Execution Date,			3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1			ed (A) or tr. 3, 4 and		s ally following	6. Ownersh Form: Direc (D) or Indire (I) (Instr. 4)	t of ct B	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)		"	(Instr. 4)	
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/Yea	Code (				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 derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Owne Form Direct or Ind (I) (In:	(D) irect	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)	\$2.76	05/04/2016		A		15,000		(1)	05/04/2026	Common Stock	15,000	\$0.0	15,000	I			

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The option vests over a 1-year period, in equal monthly increments, contingent upon continued service to the Company.

/s/ Gerard Michel, attorney-infact

05/06/2016

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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