UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 18, 2015

Vericel Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Michigan (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-35280

(Commission File Number)

94-3096597 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

64 Sidney St. Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(734) 418-4400

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On December 18, 2015, Vericel Corporation (the "Company") and Stonepine Capital, LP (the "Investor") entered into a Securities Exchange Agreement (the "Exchange Agreement") pursuant to which the Investor exchanged an aggregate of 1,250,000 shares of the Company's Common Stock for 1,250 shares of the Company's Series A Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Exchange"). The Exchange is expected to close on or around December 23, 2015.

A copy of the Exchange Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and is incorporated herein by reference. The foregoing description of the terms of the Exchange Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to such exhibit.

Item 3.02 Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities.

The information set forth under Item 1.01 above with respect to the issuance of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock pursuant to the Exchange Agreement is incorporated herein by reference. At the closing of the Exchange transaction described in Item 1.01 above, the Class A Convertible Preferred Stock will be issued without registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), in reliance on the exemption from registration contained in Section 3(a)(9) of the Securities Act.

Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

In connection with the Exchange, the Company intends to designate 1,250 shares of its authorized and unissued preferred stock as Series A Convertible Preferred Stock and anticipates filing a Certificate of Designation of Preferences, Rights and Limitations of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock with the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs on or before December 23, 2015 (the "Certificate of Designation"), the form of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 3.1. Each share of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock is convertible into 1,000 shares of the Company's common stock, no par value ("Common Stock"), at any time at the holder's option. The holder, however, will be prohibited from converting Series A Convertible Preferred Stock into shares of Common Stock if, as a result of such conversion, the holder, together with its affiliates, would own more than 9.99% of the shares of the Company's Common Stock then issued and outstanding or, upon such holder's written election, 14.99% of the shares of the Company's Common Stock then issued and outstanding. In the event of the Company's liquidation, dissolution, or winding up, holders of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock will receive a payment equal to any declared but unpaid dividends before any proceeds are distributed to the holders of Common Stock, after any proceeds are distributed to the holder of the Company's Series B-1 Non-Voting Convertible Preferred Stock and Series B-2 Voting Convertible Preferred Stock (together, the "Series B Convertible Preferred Stock") and pari passu with any distributions to the holders of the Company's Common Stock. Shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock will have no voting rights, except as required by law and except where the consent of holders of a majority of the outstanding Series A Convertible Preferred Stock will be entitled to receive dividends at the same time as the shares of Common Stock.

The description of the terms of the Series A Convertible Preferred Stock is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Certificate of Designation of Preferences, Rights and Limitations of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 3.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

VERICEL CORPORATION

By: /s/ Gerard Michel

Gerard Michel

Chief Financial Officer and Vice President, Corporate Development

Date: December 18, 2015

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VERICEL CORPORATION

CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF PREFERENCES, RIGHTS AND LIMITATIONS OF SERIES A CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCK

PURSUANT TO THE MICHIGAN BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT

VERICEL CORPORATION, a Michigan corporation (the "<u>Corporation</u>"), in accordance with the provisions of the Michigan Business Corporation Act (the "<u>MBCA</u>") does hereby certify that, in accordance with Section 302 of the MBCA and the authority conferred on its Board of Directors (the "<u>Board</u>") by the Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation, as amended (the "<u>Articles of Incorporation</u>"), the following resolution was duly adopted by the Board on December 17, 2015:

RESOLVED, pursuant to authority expressly set forth in the Articles of Incorporation, the issuance of a series of Preferred Stock designated as the Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, no par value, of the Corporation is hereby authorized and the designation, number of shares, powers, preferences, rights, qualifications, limitations and restrictions thereof (in addition to any provisions set forth in the Articles of Incorporation that are applicable to the Preferred Stock of all classes and series) are hereby fixed, and the Certificate of Designation of Preferences, Rights and Limitations of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Certificate of Designation") is hereby approved as follows:

SERIES A CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCK

<u>Section 1</u>. <u>Definitions</u>. For the purposes hereof, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

- "Affiliate" means any person or entity that, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by or is under common control with a person or entity, as such terms are used in and construed under Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933. With respect to a Holder, any investment fund or managed account that is managed on a discretionary basis by the same investment manager as such Holder will be deemed to be an Affiliate of such Holder.
 - "Alternate Consideration" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7(b).
 - "Beneficial Ownership Limitation" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(c).
- "Business Day" means any day except Saturday, Sunday, any day which shall be a federal legal holiday in the United States or any day on which banking institutions in the State of New York are authorized or required by law or other governmental action to close.
 - "Buy-In" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(d)(iii).
- "Closing Sale Price" means, for any security as of any date, the last closing trade price for such security prior to 4:00 p.m., New York City time, on the principal securities exchange or trading market where such security is listed or traded, as reported by Bloomberg, L.P. (or an equivalent, reliable reporting service mutually acceptable to and hereafter designated by Holders of a majority of the then-outstanding Series A Preferred Stock and the Corporation), or if the foregoing do not apply, the last trade price of such security in the over-the-counter market on the electronic bulletin board for such security as reported by Bloomberg, L.P., or, if no last trade price is reported for such security by Bloomberg, L.P., the average of the bid prices of any market makers for such security as reported on the OTC Pink Market by OTC Markets Group, Inc. If the Closing Sale Price cannot be calculated for a security on a particular date on any of the foregoing bases, the Closing Sale Price of such security on such date shall be the fair market value as determined in good faith by the Board.
 - "Commission" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.
- "Common Stock" means the Corporation's common stock, no par value, and stock of any other class of securities into which such securities may hereafter be reclassified.
 - "Conversion Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(a).
 - "Conversion Price" shall mean \$1.92, as adjusted pursuant to paragraph 7 hereof.
 - "Conversion Ratio" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(b).
- "Conversion Shares" means, collectively, the shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the shares of Series A Preferred Stock in accordance with the terms hereof.
- "<u>Daily Failure Amount</u>" means the product of (x) .005 multiplied by (y) the Closing Sale Price of the Common Stock on the applicable Share Delivery Date.
 - "Distributions" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5(a).
 - "DTC" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(a).
 - "DWAC Delivery" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(a).
 - "Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

- "<u>Fundamental Transaction</u>" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7(b).
- "Holder" means any holder of Series A Preferred Stock.
- "Issuance Date" means December 23, 2015.
- "Junior Securities" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5(a).
- "MBCA" shall mean the Michigan Business Corporation Act.
- "Notice of Conversion" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(a).
- "Parity Securities" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5(a).
- "Person" means any individual or corporation, partnership, trust, incorporated or unincorporated association, joint venture, limited liability company, joint stock company, government (or an agency or subdivision thereof) or other entity of any kind.
 - "Senior Securities" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5(a).
 - "Series A Preferred Stock" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2(a).
 - "Series A Preferred Stock Register" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2(b).
 - "Share Delivery Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(d)(i).
 - "Stated Value" shall mean \$1,920.00 per share.
 - "Trading Day" means a day on which the Common Stock is traded for any period on a principal securities

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exchange or if the Common Stock is not traded on a principal securities exchange, on a day that the Common Stock is traded on another securities market on which the Common Stock is then being traded.

Section 2. Designation, Amount and Par Value; Assignment.

- (a) The series of preferred stock designated by this Certificate of Designation shall be designated as the Corporation's Series A Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Series A Preferred Stock") and the number of shares so designated shall be 1,250. Each share of Series A Preferred Stock shall have no par value.
- (b) The Corporation shall register shares of the Series A Preferred Stock, upon records to be maintained by the Corporation for that purpose (the "Series A Preferred Stock Register"), in the name of the Holders thereof from time to time. The Corporation may deem and treat the registered Holder of shares of Series A Preferred Stock as the absolute owner thereof for the purpose of any conversion thereof and for all other purposes. Shares of Series A Preferred Stock may be issued solely in book-entry form or, if requested by any Holder, such Holder's shares may be issued in certificated form. The Corporation shall register the transfer of any shares of Series A Preferred Stock in the Series A Preferred Stock Register, upon surrender of the certificates (if applicable) evidencing such shares to be transferred, duly endorsed by the Holder thereof, to the Corporation at its address specified herein. Upon any such registration or transfer, a new certificate evidencing the shares of Series A Preferred Stock so transferred shall be issued to the transferee and a new certificate evidencing the remaining portion of the shares not so transferred, if any, shall be issued to the transferring Holder, in each case, within three Business Days. The provisions of this Certificate of Designation are intended to be for the benefit of all Holders from time to time and shall be enforceable by any such Holder.
- Section 3. Dividends. Holders shall be entitled to receive, and the Corporation shall pay, dividends on shares of the Series A Preferred Stock (on an as-if-converted-to-Common-Stock basis, without regard to the Beneficial Ownership Limitation) equal to and in the same form, and in the same manner, as dividends (other than dividends on shares of the Common Stock payable in the form of Common Stock) actually paid on shares of the Common Stock when, as and if such dividends (other than dividends payable in the form of Common Stock) are paid on shares of the Common Stock. Other than as set forth in the previous sentence, no other dividends shall be paid on shares of Series A Preferred Stock, and the Corporation shall pay no dividends (other than dividends payable in the form of Common Stock) on shares of the Common Stock unless it simultaneously complies with the previous sentence.
- Section 4. Voting Rights. Except as otherwise provided herein or as otherwise required by the MBCA, the Series A Preferred Stock shall have no voting rights. However, as long as any shares of Series A Preferred Stock are outstanding, the Corporation shall not, without the affirmative vote of the Holders of a majority of the then outstanding shares of the Series A Preferred Stock, (i) alter or change adversely the powers, preferences or rights given to the Series A Preferred Stock or alter or amend this Certificate of Designation, amend or repeal any provision of, or add any provision to, the Articles of Incorporation or bylaws of the Corporation, or file any articles of amendment, certificate of designations, preferences, limitations and relative rights of any series of preferred stock, if such action would adversely alter or change the preferences, rights, privileges or powers of, or restrictions provided for the benefit of the Series A Preferred Stock in a manner materially different than the effect on the Common Stock, regardless of whether any of the foregoing actions shall be by means of amendment to the Articles of Incorporation or by merger, consolidation or otherwise, (ii) issue further shares of Series A Preferred Stock or increase or decrease (other than by conversion) the number of authorized shares of Series A Preferred Stock, or (iii) enter into any agreement with respect to any of the foregoing.

Section 5. Rank; Liquidation.

(a) The Series A Preferred Stock shall rank: (i) senior to all of the Common Stock; (ii) senior to any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation hereafter created specifically ranking by its terms junior to any Series A Preferred Stock ("<u>Junior Securities</u>"); (iii) on parity with all shares of the Corporation's Series A Convertible Preferred Stock; (iv) on parity with any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation hereafter created specifically

ranking by its terms on parity with the Series A Preferred Stock (together with the Corporation's Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, the "Parity Securities"); (v) junior to Series B-1 Non-Voting Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Series B-1 Preferred Stock"); (vi) junior to Series B-2 Voting Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Series B-2 Preferred Stock")); and (vii)

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junior to any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation hereafter created specifically ranking by its terms senior to any Series A Preferred Stock ("<u>Senior Securities</u>"), in each case, as to distributions of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, whether voluntarily or involuntarily (all such distributions being referred to collectively as "<u>Distributions</u>").

(b) Subject to the prior and superior rights of the holders of Series B Preferred Stock and any other Senior Securities of the Corporation, upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary, each holder of shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall be entitled to: (i) receive, in preference to any distributions of any of the assets or surplus funds of the Corporation to the holders of the Common Stock and Junior Securities and pari passu with any distribution to the holders of Parity Securities, any dividends declared but unpaid on such shares, before any payments shall be made or any assets distributed to holders of any class of Common Stock or Junior Securities, and (ii) participate pari passu with the holders of Common Stock (on an as-converted basis, without regard to the Beneficial Ownership Limitation) in the remaining distribution of the net assets of the Corporation available for distribution. If, upon any such liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation shall be insufficient to pay the holders of shares of the Series A Preferred Stock the amount required under clause (i) of the preceding sentence, then all remaining assets of the Corporation shall be distributed ratably to holders of the Series A Preferred Stock and Parity Securities.

Section 6. Conversion.

- (a) Conversions at Option of Holder. Each share of Series A Preferred Stock shall be convertible, at any time and from time to time from and after the Issuance Date, at the option of the Holder thereof, into a number of shares of Common Stock equal to the Conversion Ratio. Holders shall effect conversions by providing the Corporation with the form of conversion notice attached hereto as Annex A (a "Notice of Conversion"), duly completed and executed. Other than a conversion following a Fundamental Transaction or following a notice provided for under Section 7(d)(ii) hereof, the Notice of Conversion must specify at least a number of shares of Series A Preferred Stock to be converted equal to the lesser of (x) 100 shares (such number subject to appropriate adjustment following the occurrence of an event specified in Section 7(a) hereof) and (y) the number of shares of Series A Preferred Stock then held by the Holder. Provided the Corporation's transfer agent is participating in the Depository Trust Company ("DTC") Fast Automated Securities Transfer program, the Notice of Conversion may specify, at the Holder's election, whether the applicable Conversion Shares shall be credited to the account of the Holder's prime broker with DTC through its Deposit Withdrawal Agent Commission system (a "DWAC Delivery"). The "Conversion Date", or the date on which a conversion shall be deemed effective, shall be defined as the Trading Day that the Notice of Conversion, completed and executed, is sent by facsimile to, and received during regular business hours by, the Corporation; provided that the original certificate(s) (if any) representing such shares of Series A Preferred Stock being converted, duly endorsed, and the accompanying Notice of Conversion, are received by the Corporation within two (2) Trading Days thereafter. In all other cases, the Conversion Date shall be defined as the Trading Day on which the original shares of Series A Preferred Stock being converted, duly endorsed, and the accompanying Notice of Conversion,
- (b) <u>Conversion Ratio</u>. The "<u>Conversion Ratio</u>" for each share of Series A Preferred Stock shall be equal to the Stated Value divided by the Conversion Price.
- (c) <u>Beneficial Ownership Limitation</u>. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Corporation shall not effect any conversion of the Series A Preferred Stock, and a Holder shall not have the right to convert any portion of the Series A Preferred Stock, to the extent that, after giving effect to an attempted conversion set forth on an applicable Notice of Conversion, such Holder (together with such Holder's Affiliates, and any other Person whose beneficial ownership of Common Stock would be aggregated with the Holder's for purposes of Section 13(d) or Section 16 of the Exchange Act and the applicable regulations of the Commission, including any "group" of which the Holder is a member (the foregoing, "<u>Attribution Parties</u>")) would beneficially own a number of shares of Common Stock in excess of the Beneficial Ownership Limitation (as defined below). For purposes of the foregoing sentence, the number of shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by

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such Holder and its Attribution Parties shall include the number of shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the Series A Preferred Stock subject to the Notice of Conversion with respect to which such determination is being made, but shall exclude the number of shares of Common Stock which are issuable upon (A) conversion of the remaining, unconverted Series A Preferred Stock beneficially owned by such Holder or any of its Attribution Parties, and (B) exercise or conversion of the unexercised or unconverted portion of any other securities of the Corporation (including any warrants) beneficially owned by such Holder or any of its Attribution Parties that are subject to a limitation on conversion or exercise similar to the limitation contained herein. For purposes of this Section 6(c), beneficial ownership shall be calculated in accordance with Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act and the applicable regulations of the Commission. In addition, for purposes hereof, "group" has the meaning set forth in Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act and the applicable regulations of the Commission. For purposes of this Section 6(c), in determining the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock, a Holder may rely on the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock as stated in the most recent of the following: (A) the Corporation's most recent periodic or annual filing with the Commission, as the case may be, (B) a more recent public announcement by the Corporation that is filed with the Commission, or (C) a more recent notice by the Corporation or the Corporation's transfer agent to the Holder setting forth the number of shares of Common Stock then outstanding. Upon the written request of a Holder (which may be by email), the Corporation shall, within three (3) Trading Days thereof, confirm in writing to such Holder (which may be via email) the number of shares of Common Stock then outstanding. In any case, the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock shall be determined after giving effect to any actual conversion or exercise of securities of the Corporation, including shares of Series A Preferred Stock, by such Holder or its Attribution Parties since the date as of which such number of outstanding shares of Common Stock was last publicly reported or confirmed to the Holder. The "Beneficial Ownership Limitation" shall initially be 9.99% of the number of shares of the Common Stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to the issuance of shares of Common Stock pursuant to such Notice of Conversion (to the extent permitted pursuant to this Section 6(c)). The Corporation shall be entitled to rely on representations made to it by the Holder in any Notice of Conversion regarding its Beneficial Ownership Limitation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, by written notice to the Corporation, which will not be effective until the sixty-first (61st) day after such notice is delivered to the Corporation, the Holder may reset the Beneficial Ownership Limitation percentage to a higher or lower percentage, not to exceed 9.99% of the number of shares of the Common Stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to the issuance of shares of Common Stock pursuant to such Notice of Conversion; provided,

however, that the Holder may reset the Beneficial Ownership Limitation to a higher percentage not to exceed 14.99% if the Corporation has delivered to the Holder a Redemption Notice (defined below), unless the Holder has irrevocably waived such right under this proviso through a written notice delivered to the Corporation, whereupon the Holder shall not have the right to increase the Beneficial Ownership Limitation above 9.99% unless and until a subsequent Redemption Notice is delivered (at which time, the Holder shall again have the ability to elect to increase the Beneficial Ownership Limitation or irrevocably waive such right). Upon such a change by a Holder of the Beneficial Ownership Limitation, the Beneficial Ownership Limitation may not be further amended by such Holder without first providing the minimum notice required by this Section 6(c). Notwithstanding the foregoing, at any time following notice of a Fundamental Transaction, the Holder may waive and/or change the Beneficial Ownership Limitation effective immediately upon written notice to the Corporation.

(d) Mechanics of Conversion.

(i) <u>Delivery of Certificate or Electronic Issuance Upon Conversion</u>. Not later than three (3) Trading Days after the applicable Conversion Date, or if the Holder requests the issuance of physical certificate(s), two (2) Trading Days after receipt by the Corporation of the original certificate(s) representing such shares of Series A Preferred Stock being converted, duly endorsed, and the accompanying Notice of Conversion (the "<u>Share Delivery Date</u>"), the Corporation shall (a) deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the converting Holder a physical certificate or certificates representing the number of Conversion Shares being acquired upon the conversion of shares of Series A Preferred Stock, or (b) in the case of a DWAC Delivery (if so requested by the Holder), electronically transfer such Conversion Shares by crediting the account of the Holder's prime broker with DTC through its DWAC system. If in the case of any Notice of Conversion such certificate or certificates are not delivered to or as directed by or, in the case of a DWAC Delivery, such shares are not electronically delivered to or as directed by, the applicable Holder by the Share Delivery Date, the applicable Holder shall be entitled to elect to rescind such Conversion Notice by written notice to the Corporation at any time on or before its receipt of such certificate or certificates for Conversion Shares or electronic receipt of such shares, as applicable, in which event the Corporation shall promptly return to such Holder any original Series A Preferred Stock certificate delivered to the Corporation and such Holder shall promptly return to the Corporation any Common Stock certificates or otherwise direct the return of any shares of Common Stock delivered to the Holder through the DWAC system, representing the shares of Series A Preferred Stock unsuccessfully tendered for conversion to the Corporation.

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- (ii) Obligation Absolute. Subject to Section 6(c) hereof and subject to Holder's right to rescind a Conversion Notice pursuant to Section 6(d) (i) above, the Corporation's obligation to issue and deliver the Conversion Shares upon conversion of Series A Preferred Stock in accordance with the terms hereof are absolute and unconditional, irrespective of any action or inaction by a Holder to enforce the same, any waiver or consent with respect to any provision hereof, the recovery of any judgment against any Person or any action to enforce the same, or any setoff, counterclaim, recoupment, limitation or termination, or any breach or alleged breach by such Holder or any other Person of any obligation to the Corporation or any violation or alleged violation of law by such Holder or any other Person, and irrespective of any other circumstance which might otherwise limit such obligation of the Corporation to such Holder in connection with the issuance of such Conversion Shares. Subject to Section 6(c) hereof and subject to Holder's right to rescind a Conversion Notice pursuant to Section 6(d)(i) above, in the event a Holder shall elect to convert any or all of its Series A Preferred Stock, the Corporation may not refuse conversion based on any claim that such Holder or anyone associated or affiliated with such Holder has been engaged in any violation of law, agreement or for any other reason, unless an injunction from a court, on notice to Holder, restraining and/or enjoining conversion of all or part of the Series A Preferred Stock of such Holder shall have been sought and obtained by the Corporation, and the Corporation posts a surety bond for the benefit of such Holder in the amount of 150% of the value of the Conversion Shares into which would be converted the Series A Preferred Stock which is subject to such injunction, which bond shall remain in effect until the completion of arbitration/litigation of the underlying dispute and the proceeds of which shall be payable to such Holder to the extent it obtains judgment. In the absence of such injunction, the Corporation shall, subject to Section 6(c) hereof and subject to Holder's right to rescind a Conversion Notice pursuant to Section 6(d)(i) above, issue Conversion Shares upon a properly noticed conversion. If the Corporation fails to deliver to a Holder such certificate or certificates, or electronically deliver (or cause its transfer agent to electronically deliver) such shares in the case of a DWAC Delivery, pursuant to Section 6(d)(i) on or prior to the fifth (5th) Trading Day after the Share Delivery Date applicable to such conversion (other than a failure caused by incorrect or incomplete information provided by Holder to the Corporation), then, unless the Holder has rescinded the applicable Conversion Notice pursuant to Section 6(d)(i) above, the Corporation shall pay (as liquidated damages and not as a penalty) to such Holder an amount payable, at the Corporation's option, either (a) in cash or (b) to the extent that it would not cause the Holder or its Attribution Parties to exceed the Beneficial Ownership Limitation, in shares of Common Stock that are valued for these purposes at the Closing Sale Price on the date of such calculation, in each case equal to the product of (x) the number of Conversion Shares required to have been issued by the Corporation on such Share Delivery Date, (y) an amount equal to the Daily Failure Amount and (z) the number of Trading Days actually lapsed after such fifth (5th) Trading Day after the Share Delivery Date during which such certificates have not been delivered, or, in the case of a DWAC Delivery, such shares have not been electronically delivered; provided, however, the Holder shall only receive up to such amount of shares of Common Stock such that Holder and its Attribution Parties and any other persons or entities whose beneficial ownership of Common Stock would be aggregated with the Holder's for purposes of Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act (including shares held by any "group" of which the Holder is a member, but excluding shares beneficially owned by virtue of the ownership of securities or rights to acquire securities that have limitations on the right to convert, exercise or purchase similar to the limitation set forth herein) shall not collectively beneficially own greater than the Beneficial Ownership Limitation. Nothing herein shall limit a Holder's right to pursue actual damages for the Corporation's failure to deliver Conversion Shares within the period specified herein and such Holder shall have the right to pursue all remedies available to it hereunder, at law or in equity including, without limitation, a decree of specific performance and/or injunctive relief; provided that Holder shall not receive duplicate damages for the Corporation's failure to deliver Conversion Shares within the period specified herein. The exercise of any such rights shall not prohibit a Holder from seeking to enforce damages pursuant to any other Section hereof or under applicable law.
- (iii) Compensation for Buy-In on Failure to Timely Deliver Certificates Upon Conversion. If the Corporation fails to deliver to a Holder the applicable certificates or certificates or to effect a DWAC Delivery, as applicable, by the Share Delivery Date pursuant to Section 6(d)(i) (other than a failure caused by incorrect or incomplete information provided by Holder to the Corporation), and if after such Share Delivery Date such Holder is required by its brokerage firm to purchase (in an open market transaction or otherwise), or the Holder's brokerage firm otherwise purchases, shares of Common Stock to deliver in satisfaction of a sale by such Holder of the Conversion Shares which such Holder was entitled to receive upon the conversion relating to such Share Delivery Date (a "Buy-In"), then the Corporation shall (A) pay in cash to such Holder (in addition to any other remedies available to or elected by such Holder) the amount by which (x) such Holder's total purchase price (including any brokerage commissions) for the shares of Common Stock so purchased exceeds (y) the product of (1) the aggregate number of

shares of Common Stock that such Holder was entitled to receive from the conversion at issue multiplied by (2) the actual sale price at which the sell order giving rise to such purchase obligation was executed (including any brokerage commissions) and (B) at the option of such Holder, either reissue (if surrendered) the shares of Series A Preferred Stock equal to the number of shares of Series A Preferred Stock submitted for conversion or deliver to such Holder the number of shares of Common Stock that would have been issued if the Corporation had timely complied with its delivery requirements under Section 6(d)(i). For example, if a Holder purchases shares of Common Stock having a total purchase price of \$11,000 to cover a Buy-In with respect to an attempted conversion of shares of Series A Preferred Stock with respect to which the actual sale price (including any brokerage commissions) giving rise to such purchase obligation was a total of \$10,000 under clause (A) of the immediately preceding sentence, the Corporation shall be required to pay such Holder \$1,000. The Holder shall provide the Corporation written notice, within three (3) Trading Days after the occurrence of a Buy-In, indicating the amounts payable to such Holder in respect of such Buy-In together with applicable confirmations and other evidence reasonably requested by the Corporation. Nothing herein shall limit a Holder's right to pursue any other remedies available to it hereunder, at law or in equity including, without limitation, a decree of specific performance and/or injunctive relief with respect to the Corporation's failure to timely deliver certificates representing shares of Common Stock upon conversion of the shares of Series A Preferred Stock as required pursuant to the terms hereof; provided, however, that the Holder shall not be entitled to both (i) require the reissuance of the shares of Series A Preferred Stock submitted for conversion for which such conversion was not timely honored and (ii) receive the number of shares of Common

- (iv) Reservation of Shares Issuable Upon Conversion. The Corporation covenants that it will at all times reserve and keep available out of its authorized and unissued shares of Common Stock for the sole purpose of issuance upon conversion of the Series A Preferred Stock, free from preemptive rights or any other actual contingent purchase rights of Persons other than the Holders of the Series A Preferred Stock, not less than such aggregate number of shares of the Common Stock as shall be issuable (taking into account the adjustments of Section 7) upon the conversion of all outstanding shares of Series A Preferred Stock. The Corporation covenants that all shares of Common Stock that shall be so issuable shall, upon issue, be duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.
- (v) <u>Fractional Shares</u>. No fractional shares or scrip representing fractional shares of Common Stock shall be issued upon the conversion of the Series A Preferred Stock. As to any fraction of a share which a Holder would otherwise be entitled to receive upon such conversion, the Corporation shall pay a cash adjustment in respect of such final fraction in an amount equal to such fraction multiplied by the Conversion Price.
- (vi) <u>Transfer Taxes</u>. The issuance of certificates for shares of the Common Stock upon conversion of the Series A Preferred Stock shall be made without charge to any Holder for any documentary stamp or similar taxes that may be payable in respect of the issue or delivery of such certificates, provided that the Corporation shall not be required to pay any tax that may be payable in respect of any transfer involved in the issuance and delivery of any such certificate upon conversion in a name other than that of the registered Holder(s) of such shares of Series A Preferred Stock and the Corporation shall not be required to issue or deliver such certificates unless or until the Person or Persons requesting the issuance thereof shall have paid to the Corporation the amount of such tax or shall have established to the satisfaction of the Corporation that such tax has been paid.
- (e) <u>Status as Shareholder</u>. Upon each Conversion Date: (i) the shares of Series A Preferred Stock being converted shall be deemed converted into shares of Common Stock; and (ii) the Holder's rights as a holder of such converted shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall cease and terminate, excepting only the right to receive certificates for such shares of Common Stock and to any remedies provided herein or otherwise available at law or in equity to such Holder because of a failure by the Corporation to comply with the terms of this Certificate of Designation. In all cases, the holder shall retain all of its rights and remedies for the Corporation's failure to convert Series A Preferred Stock.

Section 7. Certain Adjustments.

(a) <u>Stock Dividends and Stock Splits</u>. If the Corporation, at any time while this Series A Preferred Stock is outstanding: (A) pays a stock dividend or otherwise makes a distribution or distributions payable in shares of Common

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Stock (which, for avoidance of doubt, shall not include any shares of Common Stock issued by the Corporation upon conversion of this Series A Preferred Stock) with respect to the then outstanding shares of Common Stock; (B) subdivides outstanding shares of Common Stock into a larger number of shares; or (C) combines (including by way of a reverse stock split) outstanding shares of Common Stock into a smaller number of shares, then the Conversion Price shall be multiplied by a fraction of which the numerator shall be the number of shares of Common Stock (excluding any treasury shares of the Corporation) outstanding immediately before such event and of which the denominator shall be the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after such event (excluding any treasury shares of the Corporation). Any adjustment made pursuant to this Section 7(a) shall become effective immediately after the record date for the determination of shareholders entitled to receive such dividend or distribution and shall become effective immediately after the effective date in the case of a subdivision or combination.

(b) <u>Fundamental Transaction</u>. If, at any time while this Series A Preferred Stock is outstanding, (A) the Corporation effects any merger or consolidation of the Corporation with or into another Person or any stock sale to, or other business combination (including, without limitation, a reorganization, recapitalization, spin-off, share exchange or scheme of arrangement) with or into another Person (other than such a transaction in which the Corporation is the surviving or continuing entity and its Common Stock is not exchanged for or converted into other securities, cash or property), (B) the Corporation effects any sale of all or substantially all of its assets in one transaction or a series of related transactions, (C) any tender offer or exchange offer (whether by the Corporation or another Person) is completed pursuant to which more than 50% of the Common Stock not held by the Corporation or such Person is exchanged for or converted into other securities, cash or property, or (D) the Corporation effects any reclassification of the Common Stock or any compulsory share exchange pursuant (other than as a result of a dividend, subdivision or combination covered by Section 7(a) above) to which the Common Stock is effectively converted into or exchanged for other securities, cash or property (in any such case, a "Fundamental Transaction"), then, upon any subsequent conversion of this Series A Preferred Stock the Holders shall have the right to receive, in lieu of the right to receive Conversion Shares, for each Conversion Share that would have been issuable upon such conversion immediately prior to the occurrence of such Fundamental Transaction, the same kind and amount of securities, cash or property as it would have been entitled to receive upon the occurrence of such Fundamental Transaction if it had been, immediately prior to such Fundamental Transaction, the holder of one share of Common Stock (the "Alternate Consideration"). For purposes of any such subsequent conversion, the determination of the Conversion Ratio shall be appropriately adjusted to apply to such Alternate Consideration based on the amount of Alternate Consideration issuable in respect of one share of Common Stock in such Fundamental Transaction, and the Corporation shall adjust the Conversion Ratio in a reasonable manner reflecting the relative value of any different components of the Alternate Consideration. If holders of Common Stock are given any choice as to the securities, cash or property to be received in a Fundamental Transaction, then the Holders shall be given the same choice as to the

Alternate Consideration it receives upon any conversion of this Series A Preferred Stock following such Fundamental Transaction. To the extent necessary to effectuate the foregoing provisions, any successor to the Corporation or surviving entity in such Fundamental Transaction shall file a new Certificate of Designation with the same terms and conditions and issue to the Holders new preferred stock consistent with the foregoing provisions and evidencing the Holders' right to convert such preferred stock into Alternate Consideration. The terms of any agreement to which the Corporation is a party and pursuant to which a Fundamental Transaction is effected shall include terms requiring any such successor or surviving entity to comply with the provisions of this Section 7(b) and insuring that this Series A Preferred Stock (or any such replacement security) will be similarly adjusted upon any subsequent transaction analogous to a Fundamental Transaction. The Corporation shall cause to be delivered to each Holder, at its last address as it shall appear upon the stock books of the Corporation, written notice of any Fundamental Transaction at least 20 calendar days prior to the date on which such Fundamental Transaction is expected to become effective or close.

(c) <u>Calculations</u>. All calculations under this Section 7 shall be made to the nearest cent or the nearest 1/100th of a share, as the case may be. For purposes of this Section 7, the number of shares of Common Stock deemed to be issued and outstanding as of a given date shall be the sum of the number of shares of Common Stock (excluding any treasury shares of the Corporation) issued and outstanding.

(d) Notice to the Holders.

(i) <u>Adjustment to Conversion Price</u>. Whenever the Conversion Price is adjusted pursuant to any provision of this Section 7, the Corporation shall promptly deliver to each Holder a notice setting forth the Conversion Ratio after such adjustment and setting forth a brief statement of the facts requiring such adjustment.

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(ii) Other Notices. If (A) the Corporation shall declare a dividend (or any other distribution in whatever form) on the Common Stock, (B) the Corporation shall declare a special nonrecurring cash dividend on or a redemption of the Common Stock, (C) the Corporation shall authorize the granting to all holders of the Common Stock of rights or warrants to subscribe for or purchase any shares of capital stock of any class or of any rights, (D) the approval of any shareholders of the Corporation shall be required in connection with any reclassification of the Common Stock, any consolidation or merger to which the Corporation is a party, any sale or transfer of all or substantially all of the assets of the Corporation, or any compulsory share exchange whereby the Common Stock is converted into other securities, cash or property, or (E) the Corporation shall authorize the voluntary or involuntary dissolution, liquidation or winding up of the affairs of the Corporation, then, in each case, the Corporation shall cause to be filed at each office or agency maintained for the purpose of conversion of this Series A Preferred Stock, and shall cause to be delivered to each Holder at its last address as it shall appear upon the stock books of the Corporation, at least 20 calendar days prior to the applicable record or effective date hereinafter specified, a notice stating (x) the date on which a record is to be taken for the purpose of such dividend, distribution, redemption, rights or warrants, or if a record is not to be taken, the date as of which the holders of the Common Stock of record to be entitled to such dividend, distributions, redemption, rights or warrants are to be determined or (y) the date on which such reclassification, consolidation, merger, sale, transfer or share exchange is expected to become effective or close, and the date as of which it is expected that holders of the Common Stock of record shall be entitled to exchange their shares of the Common Stock for securities, cash or other property deliverable upon such reclassification, consolidation, merger, sale, transfer or share exchange, provided that the failure to deliver such notice or any defect therein or in the delivery thereof shall not affect the validity of the corporate action required to be specified in such notice.

Section 8. Redemption.

- (a) General. On or after June 23, 2018, unless prohibited by the MBCA laws governing distributions to shareholders and subject to Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder), the Corporation may elect, in its sole discretion, to redeem all or a portion of the then outstanding shares of Series A Preferred Stock at a price equal to the product of (A) the Conversion Ratio and (B) the Market Price (determined in the manner set forth below) of a single share of Common Stock as of the date of the Corporation's Redemption Notice (as defined below) (the "Redemption Price"), so long as the Redemption Price would be greater than the Conversion Price. For purposes of this Section 8, the "Market Price" of a single share of Common Stock shall be determined as follows: if the Common Stock is listed on a principal securities exchange or another nationally recognized trading system, the Market Price per share of Common Stock shall be deemed to be the greater of (A) the 20 consecutive Trading Day average closing price per share of the Common Stock ending on the Trading Day immediately prior to the date of determination and (B) the closing price of the Common Stock on the Trading Day immediately prior to the date of determination and if the Common Stock is not listed on a principal securities exchange or another nationally recognized trading system, the Market Price per share of Common Stock shall be deemed to be the amount most recently determined by the Board to represent the fair market value per share of the Common Stock (including without limitation a determination for purposes of granting Common Stock options or issuing Common Stock under any plan, agreement or arrangement with employees of the Corporation). The date of the Corporation's payment of the Redemption Price shall be referred to as a "Redemption Date."
- (b) <u>Redemption Notice</u>. The Corporation shall send written notice of its intention to redeem the Series A Preferred Stock (the "<u>Redemption Notice</u>") to each holder of record of Series A Preferred Stock not less than 90 days prior to the Redemption Date (or such shorter time as may be mutually agreed upon in writing by the Corporation and the Holder). Each Redemption Notice shall state: (i) the number of shares of Series A Preferred Stock held by the holder that the Corporation shall redeem on the Redemption Date specified in the Redemption Notice; (ii) the Redemption Date and the Redemption Price; and (iii) the date upon which the holder's right to convert such shares terminates (as determined in accordance with Section 8(d) below); and (iv) for holders of shares in certificated form, that the holder is to surrender to the Corporation, in the manner and at the place designated, his, her or its certificates representing the shares of Series A Preferred Stock to be redeemed.
- (c) <u>Surrender of Certificates; Payment</u>. On or before the Redemption Date, each holder of shares of Series A Preferred Stock to be redeemed on such Redemption Date, unless such holder has exercised his, her or its right to convert such shares as provided in Section 6, shall, if a holder of shares in certificated form, surrender the certificate or

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the Redemption Price for such shares shall be payable to the order of the person whose name appears on such certificate or certificates as the owner thereof. In the event less than all of the shares of Series A Preferred Stock represented by a certificate are redeemed, a new certificate, instrument, or book entry representing the unredeemed shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall promptly be issued to such holder.

(d) <u>Rights Subsequent to Redemption</u>. If the Redemption Notice shall have been duly given, and if on the Redemption Date the Redemption Price payable upon redemption of the shares of Series A Preferred Stock to be redeemed on such Redemption Date is paid or tendered for payment or deposited with an independent payment agent so as to be available therefor in a timely manner, then notwithstanding that any certificates evidencing any of the shares of Series A Preferred Stock so called for redemption shall not have been surrendered, dividends with respect to such shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall cease to accrue after such Redemption Date and all rights with respect to such shares, including the conversion rights set forth in Section 6, shall forthwith after the Redemption Date terminate, except only the right of the holders to receive the Redemption Price without interest upon surrender of any such certificates or certificates therefor.

Section 9. Miscellaneous.

- (a) Notices. Any and all notices or other communications or deliveries to be provided by the Holders hereunder including, without limitation, any Notice of Conversion, shall be in writing and delivered personally, by facsimile, via email, or sent by a nationally recognized overnight courier service, addressed to the Corporation, at 64 Sidney Street, Cambridge, MA, 02139, Attn: Gerard Michel, or such other facsimile number, email address, or mailing address as the Corporation may specify for such purposes by notice to the Holders delivered in accordance with this Section. Any and all notices or other communications or deliveries to be provided by the Corporation hereunder shall be in writing and delivered personally, by facsimile, email, or sent by a nationally recognized overnight courier service addressed to each Holder at the facsimile number, email address or mailing address of such Holder appearing on the books of the Corporation, or if no such facsimile number, email address, or mailing address appears on the books of the Corporation, at the principal place of business of such Holder. Any notice or other communication or deliveries hereunder shall be deemed given and effective on the earliest of: (i) the date of transmission, if such notice or communication is delivered via facsimile or email prior to 5:30 p.m. (New York City time) on any date, (ii) the date immediately following the date of transmission, if such notice or communication is delivered via facsimile or email between 5:30 p.m. and 11:59 p.m. (New York City time) on any date, (iii) the second Business Day following the date of mailing, if sent by nationally recognized overnight courier service, or (iv) upon actual receipt by the party to whom such notice is required to be given.
- (b) <u>Lost or Mutilated Series A Preferred Stock Certificate</u>. If a Holder's Series A Preferred Stock certificate shall be mutilated, lost, stolen or destroyed, the Corporation shall execute and deliver, in exchange and substitution for and upon cancellation of a mutilated certificate, or in lieu of or in substitution for a lost, stolen or destroyed certificate, a new certificate for the shares of Series A Preferred Stock so mutilated, lost, stolen or destroyed, but only upon receipt of evidence of such loss, theft or destruction of such certificate, and of the ownership thereof, reasonably satisfactory to the Corporation and, in each case, customary and reasonable indemnity, if requested. Applicants for a new certificate under such circumstances shall also comply with such other reasonable regulations and procedures and pay such other reasonable third-party costs as the Corporation may prescribe.
- (c) <u>Waiver</u>. Any waiver by the Corporation or a Holder of a breach of any provision of this Certificate of Designation shall not operate as or be construed to be a waiver of any other breach of such provision or of any breach of any other provision of this Certificate of Designation or a waiver by any other Holders. The failure of the Corporation or a Holder to insist upon strict adherence to any term of this Certificate of Designation on one or more occasions shall not be considered a waiver or deprive that party (or any other Holder) of the right thereafter to insist upon strict adherence to that term or any other term of this Certificate of Designation. Any waiver by the Corporation or a Holder must be in writing. Notwithstanding any provision in this Certificate of Designation to the contrary, any provision contained herein and any right of the Holders of Series A Preferred Stock granted hereunder may be waived as to all shares of Series A Preferred Stock (and the Holders thereof) upon the written consent of the Holders of not less

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than a majority of the shares of Series A Preferred Stock then outstanding, unless a higher percentage is required by the MBCA, in which case the written consent of the Holders of not less than such higher percentage shall be required.

- (d) <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of this Certificate of Designation is invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the balance of this Certificate of Designation shall remain in effect, and if any provision is inapplicable to any Person or circumstance, it shall nevertheless remain applicable to all other Persons and circumstances. If it shall be found that any interest or other amount deemed interest due hereunder violates the applicable law governing usury, the applicable rate of interest due hereunder shall automatically be lowered to equal the maximum rate of interest permitted under applicable law.
- (e) Next Business Day. Whenever any payment or other obligation hereunder shall be due on a day other than a Business Day, such payment shall be made on the next succeeding Business Day.
- (f) <u>Headings</u>. The headings contained herein are for convenience only, do not constitute a part of this Certificate of Designation and shall not be deemed to limit or affect any of the provisions hereof.
- (g) <u>Status of Converted Series A Preferred Stock</u>. If any shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall be converted or redeemed by the Corporation, such shares shall resume the status of authorized but unissued shares of preferred stock and shall no longer be designated as Series A Preferred Stock.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Certificate of Designation this day of December 2015.

Dominick C. Colangelo, Chief Executive Officer

ANNEX A

NOTICE OF CONVERSION

(TO BE EXECUTED BY THE REGISTERED HOLDER IN ORDER TO CONVERT SHARES OF SERIES A PREFERRED STOCK)

The undersigned Holder hereby irrevocably elects to convert the number of shares of Series A Preferred Stock indicated below, represented by stock certificate No(s). _ (the "<u>Preferred Stock Certificates</u>"), into shares of common stock, no par value (the "<u>Common Stock</u>"), of Vericel Corporation, a Michigan corporation (the "<u>Corporation</u>"), as of the date written below. If securities are to be issued in the name of a person other than the undersigned, the undersigned will pay all transfer taxes payable with respect thereto. Capitalized terms utilized but not defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to such terms in that certain Certificate of Designation of Preferences, Rights and Limitations of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock (the "<u>Certificate of Designation</u>") filed by the Corporation with the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs on December , 2015.

As of the date hereof, the number of shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by the undersigned Holder (together with such Holder's Affiliates, and any other Person whose beneficial ownership of Common Stock would be aggregated with the Holder's for purposes of Section 13(d) or Section 16 of the Exchange Act and the applicable regulations of the Commission, including any "group" of which the Holder is a member (the foregoing, "Attribution Parties")), including the number of shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the Series A Preferred Stock subject to this Notice of Conversion, but excluding the number of shares of Common Stock which are issuable upon (A) conversion of the remaining, unconverted Series A Preferred Stock beneficially owned by such Holder or any of its Attribution Parties, and (B) exercise or conversion of the unexercised or unconverted portion of any other securities of the Corporation (including any warrants) beneficially owned by such Holder or any of its Attribution Parties that are subject to a limitation on conversion or exercise similar to the limitation contained in Section 6(c) of the Certificate of Designation, is "%. For purposes hereof, beneficial ownership shall be calculated in accordance with Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act and the applicable regulations of the Commission. In addition, for purposes hereof, "group" has the meaning set forth in Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act and the applicable regulations of the Commission.

Conversion calculations:				
Date to Effect Conversion:				
Number of shares of Series A Preferred Stock owned prior to Conversion:			_	
Number of shares of Series A Preferred Stock to be Converted:				
Number of shares of Common Stock to be Issued:				
Address for delivery of physical certificates:				
<u>or</u>				
for DWAC Delivery:				
DWAC Instructions:				
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Broker no:				
Account no:				
	HOL	DER		
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SECURITIES EXCHANGE AGREEMENT

This Securities Exchange Agreement (this "*Agreement*") is made as of December 18, 2015 (the "*Effective Date*") by and between Vericel Corporation, a Michigan corporation (the "*Company*"), and Stonepine Capital, LP, a Delaware limited partnership (the "*Holder*").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Holder wishes to exchange that number of shares of the Company's common stock, no par value per share (the "Common Stock") as set forth next to each Holder's name on Schedule I hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Company wishes to issue to the Holder, pursuant to the exemption from registration provided by Section 3(a)(9) ("Section 3(a) (9)") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), that number of shares of the Company's Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, no par value per share (the "Preferred Stock") as set forth next to the Holder's name on <u>Schedule I</u> hereto, in exchange for the Common Stock (the "Exchange") and to cancel the Common Stock upon the terms and conditions set forth herein.

AGREEMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, in order to implement the foregoing and in consideration of the mutual agreements contained herein and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, the Company and the Holder agree as follows:

- 1. Exchange; Delivery. Holder hereby assigns and transfers the Common Stock to the Company in exchange for the issuance by the Company, effective as of the Effective Date and in full satisfaction of the Company's obligations to the Holder with respect to the Common Stock, of that number of shares of Preferred Stock as set forth next to the Holder's name on Schedule I hereto (the "Shares") to the Holder. On the third business day after the Effective Date (the "Closing Date"), the Company shall deliver the Shares to the Holder, and Holder shall deliver the Common Stock to the Company, either via DTC to an account specified in writing by the Company prior to such Exchange or in certificated form. The terms and conditions of the Series A Preferred Stock shall be in substantially the form of the Certificate of Designation of Preferences, Rights and Limitations attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Certificate of Designation").
- **2. Representations and Warranties of the Company**. The Company hereby represents and warrants to the Holder that as of the Effective Date:
- **2.1 Due Authorization.** The Company has all requisite corporate power and authority to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under this Agreement. This Agreement has been duly authorized and validly executed and delivered by the Company. Apart from the filing of the Certificate of Designation with the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, which action will occur on or before the Closing Date, no other corporate action on the part of the Company, its board of directors or its stockholders is necessary to

authorize the execution and delivery by the Company of this Agreement or the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, including, without limitation, the issuance and delivery of the Shares.

- 2.2 Valid Issuance; Reservation of Shares; Preemptive Rights. The Shares are duly authorized and, when issued and exchanged in accordance with the terms hereof, will be duly and validly issued, free and clear of any liens, claims or encumbrances ("Liens") imposed by or through the Company.
- 2.3 Non-Contravention. The execution and delivery of this Agreement, the issuance of the Shares and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby will not, following the filing of the Certificate of Designation with the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, (a) conflict with or constitute a material violation of or default under or give rise to any right of termination, material amendment, cancellation or acceleration or loss of any material rights under: (i) any material contracts to which the Company is a party; or (ii) the certificate of incorporation or the bylaws of the Company; or (b) to the Company's knowledge, violate any order or decree applicable to the Company, or by which it or any of its operations are bound, and no such violation or default currently exists.
- **2.4 Exemption from Registration**. Neither the Company nor any of its affiliates nor any person acting on behalf of or for the benefit of any of the forgoing, has paid or given, or agreed to pay or give, directly or indirectly, any commission or other remuneration (within the meaning of Section 3(a)(9) and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder) for soliciting the Exchange. Assuming the representations and warranties of the Holder contained herein are true and complete, the Exchange will qualify for the registration exemption contained in Section 3(a)(9).
- 3. **Representations, Warranties and Covenants of the Holder**. The Holder hereby represents and warrants to the Company and agrees as follows:
- 3.1 **Due Authorization.** The Holder has all requisite corporate or other entity power and authority to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under this Agreement, and this Agreement has been duly authorized and validly executed and delivered by the Holder and no other corporate or other action on the part of the Holder is necessary to authorize the execution and delivery by the Holder of this Agreement.
- 3.2 Ownership. The Holder is the sole beneficial owner of the shares of Common Stock as set forth next to the Holder's name on Schedule I hereto, free and clear of all Liens, and upon execution of this Agreement, the Company will take title to the Common Stock, free and clear of all Liens. There are no actions, suits or proceedings against the Holder affecting the title of any of the Common Stock or the right of the Holder to execute, deliver and perform this Agreement. The Holder is not a party to or bound by, and the Shares being exchanged by the Holder pursuant to this Agreement are not subject to, any agreement, understanding or other arrangement (i) granting any option, warrant or right of first refusal with respect to the Shares to any person, (ii) restricting the Holder's right to surrender and exchange

the Shares as contemplated by this Agreement or (iii) restricting any other of the Holder's rights with respect to the Shares.

- 3.3 Non-Contravention. The execution and delivery of this Agreement by the Holder and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby will not, following the filing of the Certificate of Designation with the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, (a) conflict with or constitute a material violation of or default under or give rise to any right of termination, material amendment, cancellation or acceleration or loss of any material rights under: (i) any material contracts to which the Holder is a party; or (ii) the certificate of incorporation or the bylaws of the Holder or any similar organizational document of the Holder; or (b) to the Holder's knowledge, violate any order or decree applicable to the Holder, or by which it or any of its operations are bound, and no such violation or default currently exists.
- 3.4 Securities Law Exemptions. Neither the Holder nor any of its affiliates nor any person acting on behalf of or for the benefit of any of the forgoing, has paid or given, or agreed to pay or give, directly or indirectly, any commission or other remuneration (within the meaning of Section 3(a)(9) of the Securities Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder) for soliciting the Exchange. Both the Exchange and the subsequent conversion of the Preferred Stock into Common Stock have been approved as an exempt transaction with the Company pursuant to Rule 16b-3 under the Exchange Act.
- **4. Amendment and Waiver.** No provision of this Agreement may be amended or modified except upon the written consent of the Company and the Holder, and no provision hereof may be waived other than by a written instrument signed by the party against whom enforcement of any such waiver is sought.

5. Miscellaneous.

- **5.1 Headings; Construction.** The headings of the various sections of this Agreement have been inserted for convenience of reference only and shall not be deemed to be part of this Agreement. The language used in this Agreement is and will be deemed to be the language chosen by the parties to express their mutual intent, and no rules of strict construction will be applied against any party.
- **5.2 Severability**. In case any provision contained in this Agreement should be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions contained herein shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.
- **5.3 Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the internal laws of the State of Delaware, without giving effect to the principles of conflicts of law. The parties agree that any action brought by either party under or in relation to this Agreement, including without limitation to interpret or enforce any provision of this Agreement, shall be brought in, and each party agrees to and does hereby submit to the jurisdiction and venue of, any state or federal court located in Delaware.

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- **5.4 Entire Agreement**. This Agreement constitutes the full and entire understanding and agreement between the parties with regard to the Exchange, and no party shall be liable or bound to any other in any manner by any oral or written representations, warranties, covenants and agreements except as specifically set forth herein. Each party expressly represents and warrants that it is not relying on any oral or written representations, warranties, covenants or agreements outside of this Agreement.
- 5.5 Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original, but all of which, when taken together, shall constitute but one instrument, and shall become effective when one or more counterparts have been signed by each party hereto and delivered to the other parties.
- **5.6 Successors and Assigns.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assigns.
- 5.7 **Fees and Expenses**. Each party shall bear their respective fees and expenses incurred in connection with negotiating this Agreement and effecting the Exchange (the "Exchange Expenses"), provided that the Holder shall reimburse the Company for up to \$20,000.00 in total documented Exchange Expenses.
- 5.8 Further Assurances. Each party shall do and perform, or cause to be done and performed, all such further acts and things, and shall execute and deliver all such other agreements, certificates, instruments and documents, as any other party may reasonably request in order to carry out the intent and accomplish the purposes of this Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this **SECURITIES EXCHANGE AGREEMENT** as of the date set forth in the first paragraph hereof.

COMPANY:

VERICEL CORPORATION

By: /s/ Dominick Colangelo

Name: Dominick Colangelo

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

[Signature Page to Securities Exchange Agreement]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this **SECURITIES EXCHANGE AGREEMENT** as of the date set forth in the first paragraph hereof.

HOLDER:

STONEPINE CAPITAL, LP

By: /s/ Timothy P. Lynch

Name: Timothy P. Lynch

Title: Managing Member of Stonepine Capital Management, LLC, the GP of

Stonepine Capital, LP

[Signature Page to Securities Exchange Agreement]

SCHEDULE I

HolderShares of Common Stock to be
ExchangedShares of Series A Convertible
Preferred Stock to be IssuedStonepine Capital, LP1,250,0001,250

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EXHIBIT A

FORM OF CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION

VERICEL CORPORATION

CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF PREFERENCES, RIGHTS AND LIMITATIONS OF SERIES A CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCK

PURSUANT TO THE MICHIGAN BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT

VERICEL CORPORATION, a Michigan corporation (the "<u>Corporation</u>"), in accordance with the provisions of the Michigan Business Corporation Act (the "<u>MBCA</u>") does hereby certify that, in accordance with Section 302 of the MBCA and the authority conferred on its Board of Directors (the "<u>Board</u>") by the Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation, as amended (the "<u>Articles of Incorporation</u>"), the following resolution was duly adopted by the Board on December 17, 2015:

RESOLVED, pursuant to authority expressly set forth in the Articles of Incorporation, the issuance of a series of Preferred Stock designated as the Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, no par value, of the Corporation is hereby authorized and the designation, number of shares, powers, preferences, rights, qualifications, limitations and restrictions thereof (in addition to any provisions set forth in the Articles of Incorporation that are applicable to the Preferred Stock of all classes and series) are hereby fixed, and the Certificate of Designation of Preferences, Rights and Limitations of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Certificate of Designation") is hereby approved as follows:

SERIES A CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCK

<u>Section 1. Definitions</u>. For the purposes hereof, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"Affiliate" means any person or entity that, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls or is controlled by or is under common control with a person or entity, as such terms are used in and construed under Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933. With respect to a Holder, any investment fund or managed account that is managed on a discretionary basis by the same investment manager as such Holder will be deemed to be an Affiliate of such Holder.

"Alternate Consideration" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7(b).

- "Beneficial Ownership Limitation" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(c).
- "Business Day" means any day except Saturday, Sunday, any day which shall be a federal legal holiday in the United States or any day on which banking institutions in the State of New York are authorized or required by law or other governmental action to close.
 - "Buy-In" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(d)(iii).
- "Closing Sale Price" means, for any security as of any date, the last closing trade price for such security prior to 4:00 p.m., New York City time, on the principal securities exchange or trading market where such security is listed or traded, as reported by Bloomberg, L.P. (or an equivalent, reliable reporting service mutually acceptable to and hereafter designated by Holders of a majority of the then-outstanding Series A Preferred Stock and the Corporation), or if the foregoing do not apply, the last trade price of such security in the over-the-counter market on the electronic bulletin board for such security as reported by Bloomberg, L.P., or, if no last trade price is reported for such security by Bloomberg, L.P., the average of the bid prices of any market makers for such security as reported on the OTC Pink Market by OTC Markets Group, Inc. If the Closing Sale Price cannot be calculated for a security on a particular date on any of the foregoing bases, the Closing Sale Price of such security on such date shall be the fair market value as determined in good faith by the Board.
 - "Commission" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.
- "Common Stock" means the Corporation's common stock, no par value, and stock of any other class of securities into which such securities may hereafter be reclassified.
 - "Conversion Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(a).
 - "Conversion Price" shall mean \$1.92, as adjusted pursuant to paragraph 7 hereof.
 - "Conversion Ratio" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(b).
- "Conversion Shares" means, collectively, the shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the shares of Series A Preferred Stock in accordance with the terms hereof.
- "Daily Failure Amount" means the product of (x) .005 multiplied by (y) the Closing Sale Price of the Common Stock on the applicable Share Delivery Date.
 - "**Distributions**" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5(a).
 - "DTC" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(a).
 - "DWAC Delivery" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(a).
 - "Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.
 - "Fundamental Transaction" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7(b).
 - "Holder" means any holder of Series A Preferred Stock.
 - "Issuance Date" means December 23, 2015.
 - "Junior Securities" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5(a).
 - "MBCA" shall mean the Michigan Business Corporation Act.
 - "Notice of Conversion" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(a).
 - "Parity Securities" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5(a).
- "Person" means any individual or corporation, partnership, trust, incorporated or unincorporated association, joint venture, limited liability company, joint stock company, government (or an agency or subdivision thereof) or other entity of any kind.
 - "Senior Securities" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5(a).
 - "Series A Preferred Stock" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2(a).
 - "Series A Preferred Stock Register" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2(b).
 - "Share Delivery Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6(d)(i).
 - "Stated Value" shall mean \$1,920.00 per share.
 - "Trading Day" means a day on which the Common Stock is traded for any period on a principal securities

exchange or if the Common Stock is not traded on a principal securities exchange, on a day that the Common Stock is traded on another securities market on which the Common Stock is then being traded.

Section 2. Designation, Amount and Par Value; Assignment.

- (a) The series of preferred stock designated by this Certificate of Designation shall be designated as the Corporation's Series A Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Series A Preferred Stock shall have no par value.
- (b) The Corporation shall register shares of the Series A Preferred Stock, upon records to be maintained by the Corporation for that purpose (the "Series A Preferred Stock Register"), in the name of the Holders thereof from time to time. The Corporation may deem and treat the registered Holder of shares of Series A Preferred Stock as the absolute owner thereof for the purpose of any conversion thereof and for all other purposes. Shares of Series A Preferred Stock may be issued solely in book-entry form or, if requested by any Holder, such Holder's shares may be issued in certificated form. The Corporation shall register the transfer of any shares of Series A Preferred Stock in the Series A Preferred Stock Register, upon surrender of the certificates (if applicable) evidencing such shares to be transferred, duly endorsed by the Holder thereof, to the Corporation at its address specified herein. Upon any such registration or transfer, a new certificate evidencing the shares of Series A Preferred Stock so transferred shall be issued to the transferee and a new certificate evidencing the remaining portion of the shares not so transferred, if any, shall be issued to the transferring Holder, in each case, within three Business Days. The provisions of this Certificate of Designation are intended to be for the benefit of all Holders from time to time and shall be enforceable by any such Holder.
- Section 3. Dividends. Holders shall be entitled to receive, and the Corporation shall pay, dividends on shares of the Series A Preferred Stock (on an as-if-converted-to-Common-Stock basis, without regard to the Beneficial Ownership Limitation) equal to and in the same form, and in the same manner, as dividends (other than dividends on shares of the Common Stock payable in the form of Common Stock) actually paid on shares of the Common Stock when, as and if such dividends (other than dividends payable in the form of Common Stock) are paid on shares of the Common Stock. Other than as set forth in the previous sentence, no other dividends shall be paid on shares of Series A Preferred Stock, and the Corporation shall pay no dividends (other than dividends payable in the form of Common Stock) on shares of the Common Stock unless it simultaneously complies with the previous sentence.
- Section 4. Voting Rights. Except as otherwise provided herein or as otherwise required by the MBCA, the Series A Preferred Stock shall have no voting rights. However, as long as any shares of Series A Preferred Stock are outstanding, the Corporation shall not, without the affirmative vote of the Holders of a majority of the then outstanding shares of the Series A Preferred Stock, (i) alter or change adversely the powers, preferences or rights given to the Series A Preferred Stock or alter or amend this Certificate of Designation, amend or repeal any provision of, or add any provision to, the Articles of Incorporation or bylaws of the Corporation, or file any articles of amendment, certificate of designations, preferences, limitations and relative rights of any series of preferred stock, if such action would adversely alter or change the preferences, rights, privileges or powers of, or restrictions provided for the benefit of the Series A Preferred Stock in a manner materially different than the effect on the Common Stock, regardless of whether any of the foregoing actions shall be by means of amendment to the Articles of Incorporation or by merger, consolidation or otherwise, (ii) issue further shares of Series A Preferred Stock or increase or decrease (other than by conversion) the number of authorized shares of Series A Preferred Stock, or (iii) enter into any agreement with respect to any of the foregoing.

Section 5. Rank; Liquidation.

(a) The Series A Preferred Stock shall rank: (i) senior to all of the Common Stock; (ii) senior to any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation hereafter created specifically ranking by its terms junior to any Series A Preferred Stock ("<u>Junior Securities</u>"); (iii) on parity with all shares of the Corporation's Series A Convertible Preferred Stock; (iv) on parity with any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation hereafter created specifically ranking by its terms on parity with the Series A Preferred Stock (together with the Corporation's Series A Convertible Preferred Stock, the "<u>Parity Securities</u>"); (v) junior to Series B-1 Non-Voting Convertible Preferred Stock (the "<u>Series B-1 Preferred Stock</u>"); (vi) junior to Series B-2 Voting Convertible Preferred Stock (the "<u>Series B-2 Preferred Stock</u>")); and (vii)

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junior to any class or series of capital stock of the Corporation hereafter created specifically ranking by its terms senior to any Series A Preferred Stock ("<u>Senior Securities</u>"), in each case, as to distributions of assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, whether voluntarily or involuntarily (all such distributions being referred to collectively as "<u>Distributions</u>").

(b) Subject to the prior and superior rights of the holders of Series B Preferred Stock and any other Senior Securities of the Corporation, upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, whether voluntary or involuntary, each holder of shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall be entitled to: (i) receive, in preference to any distributions of any of the assets or surplus funds of the Corporation to the holders of the Common Stock and Junior Securities and pari passu with any distribution to the holders of Parity Securities, any dividends declared but unpaid on such shares, before any payments shall be made or any assets distributed to holders of any class of Common Stock or Junior Securities, and (ii) participate pari passu with the holders of Common Stock (on an as-converted basis, without regard to the Beneficial Ownership Limitation) in the remaining distribution of the net assets of the Corporation available for distribution. If, upon any such liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation shall be insufficient to pay the holders of shares of the Series A Preferred Stock the amount required under clause (i) of the preceding sentence, then all remaining assets of the Corporation shall be distributed ratably to holders of the Series A Preferred Stock and Parity Securities.

Section 6. Conversion.

(a) <u>Conversions at Option of Holder</u>. Each share of Series A Preferred Stock shall be convertible, at any time and from time to time from and after the Issuance Date, at the option of the Holder thereof, into a number of shares of Common Stock equal to the Conversion Ratio. Holders shall effect conversions by providing the Corporation with the form of conversion notice attached hereto as <u>Annex A</u> (a "<u>Notice of Conversion</u>"), duly completed and executed. Other than a conversion following a Fundamental Transaction or following a notice provided for under Section 7(d)(ii) hereof, the Notice of Conversion must specify at least a number of shares of Series A Preferred Stock to be converted equal to the lesser of (x) 100 shares (such number subject to appropriate adjustment following the occurrence of an event specified in Section 7(a) hereof) and (y) the number of shares of Series A Preferred Stock then held by the Holder. Provided the Corporation's transfer agent is participating in the Depository Trust Company ("<u>DTC</u>") Fast Automated Securities Transfer program, the Notice of Conversion may specify, at the Holder's election, whether the applicable Conversion Shares shall be credited to the account of the Holder's prime broker with DTC through its Deposit Withdrawal Agent Commission system (a "<u>DWAC Delivery</u>"). The "<u>Conversion Date</u>", or the date on which a

conversion shall be deemed effective, shall be defined as the Trading Day that the Notice of Conversion, completed and executed, is sent by facsimile to, and received during regular business hours by, the Corporation; provided that the original certificate(s) (if any) representing such shares of Series A Preferred Stock being converted, duly endorsed, and the accompanying Notice of Conversion, are received by the Corporation within two (2) Trading Days thereafter. In all other cases, the Conversion Date shall be defined as the Trading Day on which the original shares of Series A Preferred Stock being converted, duly endorsed, and the accompanying Notice of Conversion, are received by the Corporation. The calculations set forth in the Notice of Conversion shall control in the absence of manifest or mathematical error.

- (b) <u>Conversion Ratio</u>. The "<u>Conversion Ratio</u>" for each share of Series A Preferred Stock shall be equal to the Stated Value divided by the Conversion Price.
- (c) <u>Beneficial Ownership Limitation</u>. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Corporation shall not effect any conversion of the Series A Preferred Stock, and a Holder shall not have the right to convert any portion of the Series A Preferred Stock, to the extent that, after giving effect to an attempted conversion set forth on an applicable Notice of Conversion, such Holder (together with such Holder's Affiliates, and any other Person whose beneficial ownership of Common Stock would be aggregated with the Holder's for purposes of Section 13(d) or Section 16 of the Exchange Act and the applicable regulations of the Commission, including any "group" of which the Holder is a member (the foregoing, "<u>Attribution Parties</u>")) would beneficially own a number of shares of Common Stock in excess of the Beneficial Ownership Limitation (as defined below). For purposes of the foregoing sentence, the number of shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by

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such Holder and its Attribution Parties shall include the number of shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the Series A Preferred Stock subject to the Notice of Conversion with respect to which such determination is being made, but shall exclude the number of shares of Common Stock which are issuable upon (A) conversion of the remaining, unconverted Series A Preferred Stock beneficially owned by such Holder or any of its Attribution Parties, and (B) exercise or conversion of the unexercised or unconverted portion of any other securities of the Corporation (including any warrants) beneficially owned by such Holder or any of its Attribution Parties that are subject to a limitation on conversion or exercise similar to the limitation contained herein. For purposes of this Section 6(c), beneficial ownership shall be calculated in accordance with Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act and the applicable regulations of the Commission. In addition, for purposes hereof, "group" has the meaning set forth in Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act and the applicable regulations of the Commission. For purposes of this Section 6(c), in determining the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock, a Holder may rely on the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock as stated in the most recent of the following: (A) the Corporation's most recent periodic or annual filing with the Commission, as the case may be, (B) a more recent public announcement by the Corporation that is filed with the Commission, or (C) a more recent notice by the Corporation or the Corporation's transfer agent to the Holder setting forth the number of shares of Common Stock then outstanding. Upon the written request of a Holder (which may be by email), the Corporation shall, within three (3) Trading Days thereof, confirm in writing to such Holder (which may be via email) the number of shares of Common Stock then outstanding. In any case, the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock shall be determined after giving effect to any actual conversion or exercise of securities of the Corporation, including shares of Series A Preferred Stock, by such Holder or its Attribution Parties since the date as of which such number of outstanding shares of Common Stock was last publicly reported or confirmed to the Holder. The "Beneficial Ownership Limitation" shall initially be 9.99% of the number of shares of the Common Stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to the issuance of shares of Common Stock pursuant to such Notice of Conversion (to the extent permitted pursuant to this Section 6(c)). The Corporation shall be entitled to rely on representations made to it by the Holder in any Notice of Conversion regarding its Beneficial Ownership Limitation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, by written notice to the Corporation, which will not be effective until the sixty-first (61st) day after such notice is delivered to the Corporation, the Holder may reset the Beneficial Ownership Limitation percentage to a higher or lower percentage, not to exceed 9.99% of the number of shares of the Common Stock outstanding immediately after giving effect to the issuance of shares of Common Stock pursuant to such Notice of Conversion; provided, however, that the Holder may reset the Beneficial Ownership Limitation to a higher percentage not to exceed 14.99% if the Corporation has delivered to the Holder a Redemption Notice (defined below), unless the Holder has irrevocably waived such right under this proviso through a written notice delivered to the Corporation, whereupon the Holder shall not have the right to increase the Beneficial Ownership Limitation above 9.99% unless and until a subsequent Redemption Notice is delivered (at which time, the Holder shall again have the ability to elect to increase the Beneficial Ownership Limitation or irrevocably waive such right). Upon such a change by a Holder of the Beneficial Ownership Limitation, the Beneficial Ownership Limitation may not be further amended by such Holder without first providing the minimum notice required by this Section 6(c). Notwithstanding the foregoing, at any time following notice of a Fundamental Transaction, the Holder may waive and/or change the Beneficial Ownership Limitation effective immediately upon written notice to the Corporation and may reinstitute a Beneficial Ownership Limitation at any time thereafter effective immediately upon written notice to the Corporation.

(d) Mechanics of Conversion.

(i) <u>Delivery of Certificate or Electronic Issuance Upon Conversion</u>. Not later than three (3) Trading Days after the applicable Conversion Date, or if the Holder requests the issuance of physical certificate(s), two (2) Trading Days after receipt by the Corporation of the original certificate(s) representing such shares of Series A Preferred Stock being converted, duly endorsed, and the accompanying Notice of Conversion (the "<u>Share Delivery Date</u>"), the Corporation shall (a) deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the converting Holder a physical certificate or certificates representing the number of Conversion Shares being acquired upon the conversion of shares of Series A Preferred Stock, or (b) in the case of a DWAC Delivery (if so requested by the Holder), electronically transfer such Conversion Shares by crediting the account of the Holder's prime broker with DTC through its DWAC system. If in the case of any Notice of Conversion such certificate or certificates are not delivered to or as directed by or, in the case of a DWAC Delivery, such shares are not electronically delivered to or as directed by, the applicable Holder by the Share Delivery Date, the applicable Holder shall be entitled to elect to rescind such Conversion Notice by written notice to the Corporation at any time on or before its receipt of such certificate or certificates for Conversion Shares or electronic receipt of such shares, as applicable, in which event the Corporation shall promptly return to such Holder any original Series A Preferred Stock certificate delivered to the Corporation and such Holder shall promptly return to the Corporation any Common Stock certificates or otherwise direct the return of any shares of Common Stock delivered to the Holder through the DWAC system, representing the shares of Series A Preferred Stock unsuccessfully tendered for conversion to the Corporation.

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(ii) <u>Obligation Absolute</u>. Subject to Section 6(c) hereof and subject to Holder's right to rescind a Conversion Notice pursuant to Section 6(d) (i) above, the Corporation's obligation to issue and deliver the Conversion Shares upon conversion of Series A Preferred Stock in accordance with the terms hereof are absolute and unconditional, irrespective of any action or inaction by a Holder to enforce the same, any waiver or consent with respect to any provision hereof, the recovery of any judgment against any Person or any action to enforce the same, or any setoff, counterclaim, recoupment,

limitation or termination, or any breach or alleged breach by such Holder or any other Person of any obligation to the Corporation or any violation or alleged violation of law by such Holder or any other Person, and irrespective of any other circumstance which might otherwise limit such obligation of the Corporation to such Holder in connection with the issuance of such Conversion Shares. Subject to Section 6(c) hereof and subject to Holder's right to rescind a Conversion Notice pursuant to Section 6(d)(i) above, in the event a Holder shall elect to convert any or all of its Series A Preferred Stock, the Corporation may not refuse conversion based on any claim that such Holder or anyone associated or affiliated with such Holder has been engaged in any violation of law, agreement or for any other reason, unless an injunction from a court, on notice to Holder, restraining and/or enjoining conversion of all or part of the Series A Preferred Stock of such Holder shall have been sought and obtained by the Corporation, and the Corporation posts a surety bond for the benefit of such Holder in the amount of 150% of the value of the Conversion Shares into which would be converted the Series A Preferred Stock which is subject to such injunction, which bond shall remain in effect until the completion of arbitration/litigation of the underlying dispute and the proceeds of which shall be payable to such Holder to the extent it obtains judgment. In the absence of such injunction, the Corporation shall, subject to Section 6(c) hereof and subject to Holder's right to rescind a Conversion Notice pursuant to Section 6(d)(i) above, issue Conversion Shares upon a properly noticed conversion. If the Corporation fails to deliver to a Holder such certificate or certificates, or electronically deliver (or cause its transfer agent to electronically deliver) such shares in the case of a DWAC Delivery, pursuant to Section 6(d)(i) on or prior to the fifth (5th) Trading Day after the Share Delivery Date applicable to such conversion (other than a failure caused by incorrect or incomplete information provided by Holder to the Corporation), then, unless the Holder has rescinded the applicable Conversion Notice pursuant to Section 6(d)(i) above, the Corporation shall pay (as liquidated damages and not as a penalty) to such Holder an amount payable, at the Corporation's option, either (a) in cash or (b) to the extent that it would not cause the Holder or its Attribution Parties to exceed the Beneficial Ownership Limitation, in shares of Common Stock that are valued for these purposes at the Closing Sale Price on the date of such calculation, in each case equal to the product of (x) the number of Conversion Shares required to have been issued by the Corporation on such Share Delivery Date, (y) an amount equal to the Daily Failure Amount and (z) the number of Trading Days actually lapsed after such fifth (5th) Trading Day after the Share Delivery Date during which such certificates have not been delivered, or, in the case of a DWAC Delivery, such shares have not been electronically delivered; provided, however, the Holder shall only receive up to such amount of shares of Common Stock such that Holder and its Attribution Parties and any other persons or entities whose beneficial ownership of Common Stock would be aggregated with the Holder's for purposes of Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act (including shares held by any "group" of which the Holder is a member, but excluding shares beneficially owned by virtue of the ownership of securities or rights to acquire securities that have limitations on the right to convert, exercise or purchase similar to the limitation set forth herein) shall not collectively beneficially own greater than the Beneficial Ownership Limitation. Nothing herein shall limit a Holder's right to pursue actual damages for the Corporation's failure to deliver Conversion Shares within the period specified herein and such Holder shall have the right to pursue all remedies available to it hereunder, at law or in equity including, without limitation, a decree of specific performance and/or injunctive relief; provided that Holder shall not receive duplicate damages for the Corporation's failure to deliver Conversion Shares within the period specified herein. The exercise of any such rights shall not prohibit a Holder from seeking to enforce damages pursuant to any other Section hereof or under applicable law.

(iii) Compensation for Buy-In on Failure to Timely Deliver Certificates Upon Conversion. If the Corporation fails to deliver to a Holder the applicable certificate or certificates or to effect a DWAC Delivery, as applicable, by the Share Delivery Date pursuant to Section 6(d)(i) (other than a failure caused by incorrect or incomplete information provided by Holder to the Corporation), and if after such Share Delivery Date such Holder is required by its brokerage firm to purchase (in an open market transaction or otherwise), or the Holder's brokerage firm otherwise purchases, shares of Common Stock to deliver in satisfaction of a sale by such Holder of the Conversion Shares which such Holder was entitled to receive upon the conversion relating to such Share Delivery Date (a "Buy-In"), then the Corporation shall (A) pay in cash to such Holder (in addition to any other remedies available to or elected by such Holder) the amount by which (x) such Holder's total purchase price (including any brokerage commissions) for the shares of Common Stock so purchased exceeds (y) the product of (1) the aggregate number of

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shares of Common Stock that such Holder was entitled to receive from the conversion at issue multiplied by (2) the actual sale price at which the sell order giving rise to such purchase obligation was executed (including any brokerage commissions) and (B) at the option of such Holder, either reissue (if surrendered) the shares of Series A Preferred Stock equal to the number of shares of Series A Preferred Stock submitted for conversion or deliver to such Holder the number of shares of Common Stock that would have been issued if the Corporation had timely complied with its delivery requirements under Section 6(d)(i). For example, if a Holder purchases shares of Common Stock having a total purchase price of \$11,000 to cover a Buy-In with respect to an attempted conversion of shares of Series A Preferred Stock with respect to which the actual sale price (including any brokerage commissions) giving rise to such purchase obligation was a total of \$10,000 under clause (A) of the immediately preceding sentence, the Corporation shall be required to pay such Holder \$1,000. The Holder shall provide the Corporation written notice, within three (3) Trading Days after the occurrence of a Buy-In, indicating the amounts payable to such Holder in respect of such Buy-In together with applicable confirmations and other evidence reasonably requested by the Corporation. Nothing herein shall limit a Holder's right to pursue any other remedies available to it hereunder, at law or in equity including, without limitation, a decree of specific performance and/or injunctive relief with respect to the Corporation's failure to timely deliver certificates representing shares of Common Stock upon conversion of the shares of Series A Preferred Stock as required pursuant to the terms hereof; provided, however, that the Holder shall not be entitled to both (i) require the reissuance of the shares of Series A Preferred Stock submitted for conversion for which such conversion was not timely honored and (ii) receive the number of shares of Common

- (iv) Reservation of Shares Issuable Upon Conversion. The Corporation covenants that it will at all times reserve and keep available out of its authorized and unissued shares of Common Stock for the sole purpose of issuance upon conversion of the Series A Preferred Stock, free from preemptive rights or any other actual contingent purchase rights of Persons other than the Holders of the Series A Preferred Stock, not less than such aggregate number of shares of the Common Stock as shall be issuable (taking into account the adjustments of Section 7) upon the conversion of all outstanding shares of Series A Preferred Stock. The Corporation covenants that all shares of Common Stock that shall be so issuable shall, upon issue, be duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.
- (v) <u>Fractional Shares</u>. No fractional shares or scrip representing fractional shares of Common Stock shall be issued upon the conversion of the Series A Preferred Stock. As to any fraction of a share which a Holder would otherwise be entitled to receive upon such conversion, the Corporation shall pay a cash adjustment in respect of such final fraction in an amount equal to such fraction multiplied by the Conversion Price.
- (vi) <u>Transfer Taxes</u>. The issuance of certificates for shares of the Common Stock upon conversion of the Series A Preferred Stock shall be made without charge to any Holder for any documentary stamp or similar taxes that may be payable in respect of the issue or delivery of such certificates, provided that the Corporation shall not be required to pay any tax that may be payable in respect of any transfer involved in the issuance and delivery of any such certificate upon conversion in a name other than that of the registered Holder(s) of such shares of Series A Preferred Stock and the Corporation

shall not be required to issue or deliver such certificates unless or until the Person or Persons requesting the issuance thereof shall have paid to the Corporation the amount of such tax or shall have established to the satisfaction of the Corporation that such tax has been paid.

(e) <u>Status as Shareholder</u>. Upon each Conversion Date: (i) the shares of Series A Preferred Stock being converted shall be deemed converted into shares of Common Stock; and (ii) the Holder's rights as a holder of such converted shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall cease and terminate, excepting only the right to receive certificates for such shares of Common Stock and to any remedies provided herein or otherwise available at law or in equity to such Holder because of a failure by the Corporation to comply with the terms of this Certificate of Designation. In all cases, the holder shall retain all of its rights and remedies for the Corporation's failure to convert Series A Preferred Stock.

Section 7. Certain Adjustments.

(a) <u>Stock Dividends and Stock Splits</u>. If the Corporation, at any time while this Series A Preferred Stock is outstanding: (A) pays a stock dividend or otherwise makes a distribution or distributions payable in shares of Common

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Stock (which, for avoidance of doubt, shall not include any shares of Common Stock issued by the Corporation upon conversion of this Series A Preferred Stock) with respect to the then outstanding shares of Common Stock; (B) subdivides outstanding shares of Common Stock into a larger number of shares; or (C) combines (including by way of a reverse stock split) outstanding shares of Common Stock into a smaller number of shares, then the Conversion Price shall be multiplied by a fraction of which the numerator shall be the number of shares of Common Stock (excluding any treasury shares of the Corporation) outstanding immediately before such event and of which the denominator shall be the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding immediately after such event (excluding any treasury shares of the Corporation). Any adjustment made pursuant to this Section 7(a) shall become effective immediately after the record date for the determination of shareholders entitled to receive such dividend or distribution and shall become effective immediately after the effective date in the case of a subdivision or combination.

- (b) <u>Fundamental Transaction</u>. If, at any time while this Series A Preferred Stock is outstanding, (A) the Corporation effects any merger or consolidation of the Corporation with or into another Person or any stock sale to, or other business combination (including, without limitation, a reorganization, recapitalization, spin-off, share exchange or scheme of arrangement) with or into another Person (other than such a transaction in which the Corporation is the surviving or continuing entity and its Common Stock is not exchanged for or converted into other securities, cash or property), (B) the Corporation effects any sale of all or substantially all of its assets in one transaction or a series of related transactions, (C) any tender offer or exchange offer (whether by the Corporation or another Person) is completed pursuant to which more than 50% of the Common Stock not held by the Corporation or such Person is exchanged for or converted into other securities, cash or property, or (D) the Corporation effects any reclassification of the Common Stock or any compulsory share exchange pursuant (other than as a result of a dividend, subdivision or combination covered by Section 7(a) above) to which the Common Stock is effectively converted into or exchanged for other securities, cash or property (in any such case, a "Fundamental Transaction"), then, upon any subsequent conversion of this Series A Preferred Stock the Holders shall have the right to receive, in lieu of the right to receive Conversion Shares, for each Conversion Share that would have been issuable upon such conversion immediately prior to the occurrence of such Fundamental Transaction, the same kind and amount of securities, cash or property as it would have been entitled to receive upon the occurrence of such Fundamental Transaction if it had been, immediately prior to such Fundamental Transaction, the holder of one share of Common Stock (the "Alternate Consideration"). For purposes of any such subsequent conversion, the determination of the Conversion Ratio shall be appropriately adjusted to apply to such Alternate Consideration based on the amount of Alternate Consideration issuable in respect of one share of Common Stock in such Fundamental Transaction, and the Corporation shall adjust the Conversion Ratio in a reasonable manner reflecting the relative value of any different components of the Alternate Consideration. If holders of Common Stock are given any choice as to the securities, cash or property to be received in a Fundamental Transaction, then the Holders shall be given the same choice as to the Alternate Consideration it receives upon any conversion of this Series A Preferred Stock following such Fundamental Transaction. To the extent necessary to effectuate the foregoing provisions, any successor to the Corporation or surviving entity in such Fundamental Transaction shall file a new Certificate of Designation with the same terms and conditions and issue to the Holders new preferred stock consistent with the foregoing provisions and evidencing the Holders' right to convert such preferred stock into Alternate Consideration. The terms of any agreement to which the Corporation is a party and pursuant to which a Fundamental Transaction is effected shall include terms requiring any such successor or surviving entity to comply with the provisions of this Section 7(b) and insuring that this Series A Preferred Stock (or any such replacement security) will be similarly adjusted upon any subsequent transaction analogous to a Fundamental Transaction. The Corporation shall cause to be delivered to each Holder, at its last address as it shall appear upon the stock books of the Corporation, written notice of any Fundamental Transaction at least 20 calendar days prior to the date on which such Fundamental Transaction is expected to become effective or close.
- (c) <u>Calculations</u>. All calculations under this Section 7 shall be made to the nearest cent or the nearest 1/100th of a share, as the case may be. For purposes of this Section 7, the number of shares of Common Stock deemed to be issued and outstanding as of a given date shall be the sum of the number of shares of Common Stock (excluding any treasury shares of the Corporation) issued and outstanding.

(d) Notice to the Holders.

(i) <u>Adjustment to Conversion Price</u>. Whenever the Conversion Price is adjusted pursuant to any provision of this Section 7, the Corporation shall promptly deliver to each Holder a notice setting forth the Conversion Ratio after such adjustment and setting forth a brief statement of the facts requiring such adjustment.

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(ii) Other Notices. If (A) the Corporation shall declare a dividend (or any other distribution in whatever form) on the Common Stock, (B) the Corporation shall declare a special nonrecurring cash dividend on or a redemption of the Common Stock, (C) the Corporation shall authorize the granting to all holders of the Common Stock of rights or warrants to subscribe for or purchase any shares of capital stock of any class or of any rights, (D) the approval of any shareholders of the Corporation shall be required in connection with any reclassification of the Common Stock, any consolidation or merger to which the Corporation is a party, any sale or transfer of all or substantially all of the assets of the Corporation, or any compulsory share exchange whereby the Common Stock is converted into other securities, cash or property, or (E) the Corporation shall authorize the voluntary or involuntary dissolution, liquidation or winding up of the affairs of the Corporation, then, in each case, the Corporation shall cause to be filed at each office or agency maintained for the purpose of conversion of this Series A Preferred Stock, and shall cause to be delivered to each Holder at its last address as it

shall appear upon the stock books of the Corporation, at least 20 calendar days prior to the applicable record or effective date hereinafter specified, a notice stating (x) the date on which a record is to be taken for the purpose of such dividend, distribution, redemption, rights or warrants, or if a record is not to be taken, the date as of which the holders of the Common Stock of record to be entitled to such dividend, distributions, redemption, rights or warrants are to be determined or (y) the date on which such reclassification, consolidation, merger, sale, transfer or share exchange is expected to become effective or close, and the date as of which it is expected that holders of the Common Stock of record shall be entitled to exchange their shares of the Common Stock for securities, cash or other property deliverable upon such reclassification, consolidation, merger, sale, transfer or share exchange, provided that the failure to deliver such notice or any defect therein or in the delivery thereof shall not affect the validity of the corporate action required to be specified in such notice.

Section 8. Redemption.

- (a) General. On or after June 23, 2018, unless prohibited by the MBCA laws governing distributions to shareholders and subject to Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder), the Corporation may elect, in its sole discretion, to redeem all or a portion of the then outstanding shares of Series A Preferred Stock at a price equal to the product of (A) the Conversion Ratio and (B) the Market Price (determined in the manner set forth below) of a single share of Common Stock as of the date of the Corporation's Redemption Notice (as defined below) (the "Redemption Price"), so long as the Redemption Price would be greater than the Conversion Price. For purposes of this Section 8, the "Market Price" of a single share of Common Stock shall be determined as follows: if the Common Stock is listed on a principal securities exchange or another nationally recognized trading system, the Market Price per share of Common Stock shall be deemed to be the greater of (A) the 20 consecutive Trading Day average closing price per share of the Common Stock ending on the Trading Day immediately prior to the date of determination and (B) the closing price of the Common Stock on the Trading Day immediately prior to the date of determination and (B) the closing price of the Common Stock on the Trading System, the Market Price per share of Common Stock shall be deemed to be the amount most recently determined by the Board to represent the fair market value per share of the Common Stock (including without limitation a determination for purposes of granting Common Stock options or issuing Common Stock under any plan, agreement or arrangement with employees of the Corporation). The date of the Corporation's payment of the Redemption Price shall be referred to as a "Redemption Date."
- (b) Redemption Notice. The Corporation shall send written notice of its intention to redeem the Series A Preferred Stock (the "Redemption Notice") to each holder of record of Series A Preferred Stock not less than 90 days prior to the Redemption Date (or such shorter time as may be mutually agreed upon in writing by the Corporation and the Holder). Each Redemption Notice shall state: (i) the number of shares of Series A Preferred Stock held by the holder that the Corporation shall redeem on the Redemption Date specified in the Redemption Notice; (ii) the Redemption Date and the Redemption Price; and (iii) the date upon which the holder's right to convert such shares terminates (as determined in accordance with Section 8(d) below); and (iv) for holders of shares in certificated form, that the holder is to surrender to the Corporation, in the manner and at the place designated, his, her or its certificates representing the shares of Series A Preferred Stock to be redeemed.
- (c) <u>Surrender of Certificates; Payment</u>. On or before the Redemption Date, each holder of shares of Series A Preferred Stock to be redeemed on such Redemption Date, unless such holder has exercised his, her or its right to convert such shares as provided in Section 6, shall, if a holder of shares in certificated form, surrender the certificate or

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certificates representing such shares (or, if such registered holder alleges that such certificate has been lost, stolen or destroyed, a lost certificate affidavit and agreement reasonably acceptable to the Corporation to indemnify the Corporation against any claim that may be made against the Corporation on account of the alleged loss, theft or destruction of such certificate) to the Corporation, in the manner and at the place designated in the Redemption Notice, and thereupon the Redemption Price for such shares shall be payable to the order of the person whose name appears on such certificate or certificates as the owner thereof. In the event less than all of the shares of Series A Preferred Stock represented by a certificate are redeemed, a new certificate, instrument, or book entry representing the unredeemed shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall promptly be issued to such holder.

(d) <u>Rights Subsequent to Redemption</u>. If the Redemption Notice shall have been duly given, and if on the Redemption Date the Redemption Price payable upon redemption of the shares of Series A Preferred Stock to be redeemed on such Redemption Date is paid or tendered for payment or deposited with an independent payment agent so as to be available therefor in a timely manner, then notwithstanding that any certificates evidencing any of the shares of Series A Preferred Stock so called for redemption shall not have been surrendered, dividends with respect to such shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall cease to accrue after such Redemption Date and all rights with respect to such shares, including the conversion rights set forth in Section 6, shall forthwith after the Redemption Date terminate, except only the right of the holders to receive the Redemption Price without interest upon surrender of any such certificates or certificates therefor.

Section 9. Miscellaneous.

- (a) Notices. Any and all notices or other communications or deliveries to be provided by the Holders hereunder including, without limitation, any Notice of Conversion, shall be in writing and delivered personally, by facsimile, via email, or sent by a nationally recognized overnight courier service, addressed to the Corporation, at 64 Sidney Street, Cambridge, MA, 02139, Attn: Gerard Michel, or such other facsimile number, email address, or mailing address as the Corporation may specify for such purposes by notice to the Holders delivered in accordance with this Section. Any and all notices or other communications or deliveries to be provided by the Corporation hereunder shall be in writing and delivered personally, by facsimile, email, or sent by a nationally recognized overnight courier service addressed to each Holder at the facsimile number, email address or mailing address of such Holder appearing on the books of the Corporation, or if no such facsimile number, email address, or mailing address appears on the books of the Corporation, at the principal place of business of such Holder. Any notice or other communication or deliveries hereunder shall be deemed given and effective on the earliest of: (i) the date of transmission, if such notice or communication is delivered via facsimile or email prior to 5:30 p.m. (New York City time) on any date, (ii) the second Business Day following the date of mailing, if sent by nationally recognized overnight courier service, or (iv) upon actual receipt by the party to whom such notice is required to be given.
- (b) <u>Lost or Mutilated Series A Preferred Stock Certificate</u>. If a Holder's Series A Preferred Stock certificate shall be mutilated, lost, stolen or destroyed, the Corporation shall execute and deliver, in exchange and substitution for and upon cancellation of a mutilated certificate, or in lieu of or in substitution for a lost, stolen or destroyed certificate, a new certificate for the shares of Series A Preferred Stock so mutilated, lost, stolen or destroyed, but only upon receipt of evidence of such loss, theft or destruction of such certificate, and of the ownership thereof, reasonably satisfactory to the Corporation and, in each case, customary and reasonable indemnity, if requested. Applicants for a new certificate under such circumstances shall also comply with such other reasonable regulations and procedures and pay such other reasonable third-party costs as the Corporation may prescribe.

construed to be a waiver of any other breach of such provision or of any breach of any other provision of this Certificate of Designation or a waiver by any other Holders. The failure of the Corporation or a Holder to insist upon strict adherence to any term of this Certificate of Designation on one or more occasions shall not be considered a waiver or deprive that party (or any other Holder) of the right thereafter to insist upon strict adherence to that term or any other term of this Certificate of Designation. Any waiver by the Corporation or a Holder must be in writing. Notwithstanding any provision in this Certificate of Designation to the contrary, any provision contained herein and any right of the Holders of Series A Preferred Stock granted hereunder may be waived as to all shares of Series A Preferred Stock (and the Holders thereof) upon the written consent of the Holders of not less
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than a majority of the shares of Series A Preferred Stock then outstanding, unless a higher percentage is required by the MBCA, in which case the written consent of the Holders of not less than such higher percentage shall be required.
(d) <u>Severability</u> . If any provision of this Certificate of Designation is invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the balance of this Certificate of Designation shall remain in effect, and if any provision is inapplicable to any Person or circumstance, it shall nevertheless remain applicable to all other Persons and circumstances. If it shall be found that any interest or other amount deemed interest due hereunder violates the applicable law governing usury, the applicable rate of interest due hereunder shall automatically be lowered to equal the maximum rate of interest permitted under applicable law.
(e) <u>Next Business Day</u> . Whenever any payment or other obligation hereunder shall be due on a day other than a Business Day, such payment shall be made on the next succeeding Business Day.
(f) <u>Headings</u> . The headings contained herein are for convenience only, do not constitute a part of this Certificate of Designation and shall not be deemed to limit or affect any of the provisions hereof.
(g) <u>Status of Converted Series A Preferred Stock</u> . If any shares of Series A Preferred Stock shall be converted or redeemed by the Corporation, such shares shall resume the status of authorized but unissued shares of preferred stock and shall no longer be designated as Series A Preferred Stock.

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Dominick C. Colangelo, Chief Executive Officer
ANNEX A
NOTICE OF CONVERSION
(TO BE EXECUTED BY THE REGISTERED HOLDER IN ORDER TO CONVERT SHARES OF SERIES A PREFERRED STOCK)
The undersigned Holder hereby irrevocably elects to convert the number of shares of Series A Preferred Stock indicated below, represented by stock certificate No(s) (the "Preferred Stock Certificates"), into shares of common stock, no par value (the "Common Stock"), of Vericel Corporation, a Michigan corporation (the "Corporation"), as of the date written below. If securities are to be issued in the name of a person other than the undersigned, the undersigned will pay all transfer taxes payable with respect thereto. Capitalized terms utilized but not defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to such terms in that certain Certificate of Designation of Preferences, Rights and Limitations of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Certificate of Designation") filed by the Corporation with the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs on December , 2015.
As of the date hereof, the number of shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by the undersigned Holder (together with such Holder's Affiliates, and any other Person whose beneficial ownership of Common Stock would be aggregated with the Holder's for purposes of Section 13(d) or Section 16 of the Exchange Act and the applicable regulations of the Commission, including any "group" of which the Holder is a member (the foregoing, "Attribution Parties")), including the number of shares of Common Stock issuable upon conversion of the Series A Preferred Stock subject to this Notice of Conversion, but excluding the number of shares of Common Stock which are issuable upon (A) conversion of the remaining, unconverted Series A Preferred Stock beneficially owned by such Holder or any of its Attribution Parties, and (B) exercise or conversion of the unexercised or unconverted portion of any other securities of the Corporation (including any warrants) beneficially owned by such Holder or any of its Attribution Parties that are subject to a limitation on conversion or exercise similar to the limitation contained in Section 6(c) of the Certificate of Designation, is %. For purposes hereof, beneficial ownership shall be calculated in accordance with Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act and the applicable regulations of the Commission. In addition, for purposes hereof, "group" has the meaning set forth in Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act and the applicable regulations of the Commission.
Conversion calculations:
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(c) <u>Waiver</u>. Any waiver by the Corporation or a Holder of a breach of any provision of this Certificate of Designation shall not operate as or be

Number of shares of Series A Preferred Stock to be Converted:				
Number of shares of Common Stock to be Issued:				
Address for delivery of physical certificates:				
<u>or</u>				
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DWAC Instructions:				
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Broker no:				
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