FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  MICHEL GERARD J					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Vericel Corp [ VCEL ]						(Che	elationship o eck all applic Director	able)	Perso	n(s) to Issue 10% Ow Other (sp	ner
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VERICEL CORPORATION					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/05/2015							below)			below)	·
64 SIDNEY STREET  (Street)				4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					Line	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																
Date				te onth/Day/Year) i		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year		e, Transaction Disposed Of (D Code (Instr.		ies Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		Beneficia Owned F	es Form ally (D) of following (I) (Ir		n: Direct   I or Indirect   E nstr. 4)   C	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
								Code V	Amount	(A) o (D)	r Price	Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a	tion(s)		"	Instr. 4)
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	ative Conversion Date Execution Date, Trans rity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any Code		Transa Code (	nsaction Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	ni(ə)		
Stock option (right to buy)	\$3.02	01/05/2015		A		180,000		(1)	01/05/2025	Common stock	180,000	\$3.02	180,00	0	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

 $1. \ These \ options \ vest \ quarterly \ over \ four \ years \ commencing \ on \ the \ grant \ date.$ 

/s/ Gerard Michel

01/07/2015

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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