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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Lucky James L</u>						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AtriCure, Inc. [ ATRC ]									all app		g Person	10% O	wner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 6217 CENTRE PARK DRIVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/20/2013								X	belov	fficer (give title Other elow) below, CP, Clinical, Regulatory & C		below)			
(Street) WEST CHESTE (City)			15069 Zip)		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Appliane)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person								on							
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The Reporting Person has elected to transfer these shares to the Company to satisfy the tax withholding obligation incurred upon the vesting and release of shares previously acquired pursuant to a Restricted Stock Award.

/s/ James L. Lucky

02/21/2013

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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