FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* Lycell Elizabeth D | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AtriCure, Inc. [ATRC] | | | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Iss (Check all applicable) | | | | ier | | |
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| Krell Elizabeth D | | | | | 1- | | | | | | | | | | X Directo | | r | | 10% Ow | ner |
| (Last) 13005 H | (Fi | , | (Middle) | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/16/2016 | | | | | | | | | Officer below) | (give title | | Other (s below) | pecify | |
| | | | | | 4.1 | f Ame | ndme | nt. Date | of C | Original F | iled | (Month/Da | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable | | | | | | |
| (Street) | | | | | _ | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | | Line) | | | | |
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| | | Tab | le I - No | n-Deri | ivativ | e Se | curit | ies A | cqı | uired, [| Disp | oosed o | f, or Be | nefic | ially | Owned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans Date (Month/II | | | | | ear) | ZA. Deemed Execution Date, f any Month/Day/Year) | | . | Transaction Disp Code (Instr. 5) | | Disposed | . Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4) | | 4 and Securitie Benefici Owned F | | es For ally (D) Following (I) | | r Indirect Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | |
| | | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) oi (D) | Pric | ice Reporte Transac (Instr. 3 | | tion(s) | | | (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock 08/16 | | | | | 16/201 | 16 | | | М | | 8,000 A | | \$ | 2.58 | 8 15,162 | | | D | | |
| Common Stock 08/17 | | | | | 17/201 | 16 | | | | S | | 5,000 | 5,000 D \$ | | 5.2(1) | 10,162 | | | D | |
| | | 7 | Гable II - | | | | | | | | | | | | | Owned | | | | |
| | | | | (e.g., | puts, | call | s, wa | arrant | s, c | options | s, c | onvertil | ole secu | ıritie | s) | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deeme Execution I if any (Month/Day | Date, | | ansaction of Dode (Instr. Sc Ac Di Official (Instr. Sc Ac (A Di (Instr. Sc | | of Ex | | . Date Exercisable and :xpiration Date Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | 3. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | ly | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Dat Exe | te ercisable | | expiration Date | Title | Amo or Num of Shar | ber | | | | | |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$2.58 | 08/16/2016 | | | М | | | 8,000 | 05/ | /21/2010 ⁽² | 2) 0 | 05/21/2019 | Common Stock | 8,0 | 00 | \$0.00 | 0 | | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$15.04 to \$15.36 per share. The price reported above reflects the weighted average price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

2. These options were granted on May 21, 2009 and are exercisable cumulatively at a rate of 33% per annum beginning one year from date of grant.

Remarks:

<u>/s/ Elizabeth D. Krell</u> <u>08/18/2016</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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