FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name ar	nd Address of ulie A		2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AtriCure, Inc. [ ATRC ]										ck all applica Director Officer (	etor 10% Over (give title Other (s		ner			
(Last) 6033 SC		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/08/2007								Λ	below) `	VP and CFO							
(Street) WEST CHESTER OH 45069  (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Ind Line) X					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)  2. Conversion Date (Month/Day/Ye Price of Derivative Security			3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		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)	
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Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$12.22	02/08/2007		A			100,000	02/	/08/2008 <sup>(1)</sup>	02/	/08/2017	Common Stock	100,	,000	(2)	100,00	00	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The option vests and is exercisable as to 25% of the shares on February 8, 2008 (one year from the date of grant) and the remaining 75% thereafter vests and is exercisable in equal monthly installments on the same day of the month over the following three years.
- 2. Not applicable.

/s/ Julie A. Piton

02/09/2007

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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