

TOOHEY DAVID  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
TOOHEY DAVID		(Month/Day/Year)	ALERE INC. [ALR]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	04/13/2012	
C/O ALERE INC., 51			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
SAWYER ROAD, SUITE 200				
(Street)			(Check all applicable)	
WALTHAM, MA 02453			<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
			(give title below) (specify below)	<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
			President, Intl Bus. Operation	

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
common stock	9,087	D	

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Amount or Number of Shares	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	09/30/2002	08/23/2012	Common Stock 151	\$ 15.55 D Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	12/17/2008	12/17/2014	Common Stock 25,000	\$ 24.25 D Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	02/28/2011	02/28/2017	Common Stock 15,000	\$ 42.26 D Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	12/31/2011	12/31/2017	Common Stock 40,000	\$ 56.18 D Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (1)	06/30/2019	Common Stock 14,444	\$ 35.58 D Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (2)	10/31/2021	Common Stock 20,000	\$ 26.06 D Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TOOHEY DAVID C/O ALERE INC. 51 SAWYER ROAD, SUITE 200 WALTHAM, MA 02453	Â	Â	Â President, Intl Bus. Operation	Â

## Signatures

/s/ David Toohey 04/18/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- (1) These options become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning 6/30/2010.
- (2) These options become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning 10/31/2012.

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