

AtriCure, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
September 28, 2012

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) of the  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): September 26, 2012**

**ATRICURE, INC.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or other jurisdiction**

**of incorporation)**

**6217 Centre Park Drive**

**000-51470**  
**(Commission**

**File Number)**

**34-1940305**  
**(IRS Employer**

**Identification No.)**

**45069**

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**West Chester, OH**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (513) 755-4100**

**Not Applicable**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.**

Effective September 26, 2012, AtriCure, Inc. (the Company ) and Silicon Valley Bank (the Bank ) entered into a Fourth Loan Modification Agreement (the Loan Modification Agreement ) which sets forth certain amendments to the Company s credit facility with the Bank.

The Loan Modification Agreement eliminates the restriction on investments by the Company in its wholly owned subsidiary, AtriCure Europe, B.V. ( AtriCure Europe ). In connection with the Loan Modification Agreement, AtriCure Europe executed certain guaranty and security documents pursuant to which AtriCure Europe guaranteed the Company s obligations under the credit facility and pledged certain of its assets as security for the credit facility.

The foregoing description of the Loan Modification Agreement is qualified in its entirety by the full text of the Loan Modification Agreement as attached to and filed with this Form 8-K as Exhibit 10.1.

**Item 2.03. Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.**

The information provided in Item 1.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is incorporated by reference into this Item 2.03.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

No.	Description
10.1	Fourth Loan Modification Agreement between Silicon Valley Bank and AtriCure, Inc. dated September 26, 2012

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

ATRICURE, INC.

Date: September 28, 2012

By: /s/ M. Andrew Wade  
M. Andrew Wade  
Vice President, Finance