

Pelosof Avi  
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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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|                                           |         |                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                      |
|-------------------------------------------|---------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * |         | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                      |
| Â Pelosof Avi                             |         | (Month/Day/Year)                     | ALERE INC. [ALR]                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                      |
| (Last)                                    | (First) | (Middle)                             | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer                                                                                                                                                                         | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| 51 SAWYER ROAD, SUITE 200                 |         | 03/01/2013                           | (Check all applicable)                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                      |
| (Street)                                  |         |                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other<br>(give title below)    (specify below)<br>Pres., Infectious Disease |                                                      |
| WALTHAM,Â MAÂ 02453                       |         |                                      | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person            |                                                      |
| (City)                                    | (State) | (Zip)                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                      |

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

| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned<br>(Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| Common Stock                       | 4,655                                                    | D                                                                 | Â                                                        |

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<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4)<br>Title | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:<br>Direct (D) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
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|                                         | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date |                 | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares |          | or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 5) |   |
|-----------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|----------|----------------------------------|---|
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 01/01/2011          | 01/01/2017         | Common<br>Stock | 40,000                           | \$ 38.7  | D                                | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 12/31/2011          | 12/31/2017         | Common<br>Stock | 10,000                           | \$ 56.18 | D                                | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 10/31/2012          | 10/31/2018         | Common<br>Stock | 10,000                           | \$ 19.15 | D                                | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 12/31/2012          | 12/31/2018         | Common<br>Stock | 2,500                            | \$ 18.91 | D                                | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | Â <u>(1)</u>        | 06/30/2019         | Common<br>Stock | 14,081                           | \$ 35.58 | D                                | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | Â <u>(2)</u>        | 10/30/2019         | Common<br>Stock | 5,000                            | \$ 38.01 | D                                | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | Â <u>(3)</u>        | 02/28/2021         | Common<br>Stock | 5,000                            | \$ 38.64 | D                                | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | Â <u>(4)</u>        | 10/31/2021         | Common<br>Stock | 20,000                           | \$ 26.06 | D                                | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | Â <u>(5)</u>        | 02/28/2022         | Common<br>Stock | 1,125                            | \$ 25.43 | D                                | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | Â <u>(6)</u>        | 10/31/2022         | Common<br>Stock | 50,000                           | \$ 19.2  | D                                | Â |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                | Relationships |           |                                   |       |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|-------|
|                                                               | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                           | Other |
| Pelosof Avi<br>51 SAWYER ROAD, SUITE 200<br>WALTHAM, MA 02453 | Â             | Â         | Â Pres.,<br>Infectious<br>Disease | Â     |

## Signatures

/s/ Jay McNamara,  
Attorney-in-Fact

03/11/2013

\_\_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 10/30/2010.
- (3) These options become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning 2/29/2012.

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- (4) These options become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning 10/31/2012.
- (5) These options become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning 2/28/2013.
- (6) These options become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning 10/31/2013.

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