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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. <i>See</i> Instruction 1(b). STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL SECURITIES Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Ex Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company 30(h) of the Investment Company Act							nge Act of 1934, of 1935 or Secti	Estimated burden hou response	urs per		
(Print or Type I	Responses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> ERVIN HOWARD G			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CERUS CORP [CERS]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last)				of Earliest T				eck all applicable)			
C/O CERUS STANWEL	S CORPORATIC L DRIVE	ON, 2550	(Month/ 09/01/2	Day/Year) 2010			Director X Officer (gi below) Vice Pr		% Owner her (specify Affairs		
(Street) CONCORD, CA 94520			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 					
		(7)					Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)					Acquired, Disposed		Illy Owned		
	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemo Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) Code V	Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	(A) or of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Reminder: Rep	ort on a separate line	e for each cl	ass of sec	urities benet	ficially own	ned directly	or indirectly.				
					inforn requir	nation cont ed to resp lys a curre	spond to the colle tained in this form ond unless the fo ntly valid OMB co	n are not orm	SEC 1474 (9-02)		

 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
 (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	8
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orDerivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	D
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	S

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	,	Acquired or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	ed of				
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 3	09/01/2010		А		45,000		<u>(1)</u>	08/31/2020	Common Stock	45,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ERVIN HOWARD G C/O CERUS CORPORATION 2550 STANWELL DRIVE CONCORD, CA 94520			Vice President, Legal Affairs	
Signatures				
Howard G. Ervin by Lori L. Roll, attorney-in-fact			09/03/2010	

<u>**</u>Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) One eighth (1/8th) of the shares subject to the Option shall vest six (6) months after the transaction date and one forty-eighth (1/48th) of the shares subject to the Option shall vest on the first day of each month thereafter.
- (2) Not Applicable.

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