

AERIE PHARMACEUTICALS INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 MCGRAW BENJAMIN F III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 AERIE PHARMACEUTICALS INC
 [AERI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O AERIE
 PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 135
 U.S. HIGHWAY 206, SUITE 15
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 09/30/2014

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

BEDMINSTER, NJ 07921
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. D S (I)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.69	09/30/2014		A	25,000	<u>(1)</u> 09/30/2024	Common Stock	25,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MCGRAW BENJAMIN F III C/O AERIE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 135 U.S. HIGHWAY 206, SUITE 15 BEDMINSTER, NJ 07921	X			

Signatures

Andrew B. Barkan, Attorney-in-Fact for Benjamin F. McGraw, III 10/10/2014

__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).

This option was granted on September 30, 2014 and is scheduled to vest over the thirty-two month period following the date of grant in (1) equal installments on each quarterly anniversary of the date of grant through March 31, 2017 and will be fully vested on June 11, 2017, subject to the director's continued service on the board of directors of Aerie Pharmaceuticals, Inc. through each applicable vesting date.

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