ATHERSYS, INC / NEW Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Lehmann William JR			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ATHERSYS, INC / NEW [ATHX]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(check all applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
3201 CARNEGIE AVENUE			03/18/2016	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
				President and COO			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
CLEVELAND, OH 44115-2634			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficially	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit for Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (` ′	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/18/2016		Code V F	Amount 15,626 (1)	(D) D	Price \$ 2.43	(Instr. 3 and 4) 319,720	D	
Common Stock	03/18/2016		S	13,000 (2)	D	\$ 2.4 (3)	306,720	D	
Common Stock	03/21/2016		S	12,000 (2)	D	\$ 2.4306	294,720 (5)	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 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.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	(A) (D)			S	hares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> 10% Owner Officer Other Director

Lehmann William JR 3201 CARNEGIE AVENUE CLEVELAND, OH 44115-2634

President and COO

Signatures

/s/ Laura K. Campbell, as attorney-in-fact for William O.

Lehmann 03/21/2016

> **Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- 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) Shares withheld from the quarterly vesting of a June 2013 restricted stock unit award related to the minimum tax withholding obligation.
- Shares sold pursuant to a predefined Rule 10b5-1 trading plan for tax and planning purposes related to the quarterly vesting of a June 2013 restricted stock unit award.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$2.35 (3) to \$2.455, inclusive, in accordance with a previously established Rule 10b5-1 predefined trading plan enacted solely related to the tax
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$2.385 (4) to \$2.47, inclusive, in accordance with a previously established Rule 10b5-1 predefined trading plan enacted solely related to the tax obligation.
- Securities beneficially owned are comprised of: (1) 174,113 shares of common stock owned, (2) 47,803 restricted stock units awarded on (5) June 20, 2013 related to the termination of 2005 incentive agreements that vest ratably on a quarterly basis through June 18, 2016, and (3) restricted stock units awarded on an annual basis amounting to 72,804 that vest quarterly over a four-year period from grant date.

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