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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

Cagle Gerald D.

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

10/25/2013

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AERIE PHARMACEUTICALS INC [AERI]

4. Relationship of Reporting

Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O AERIE (Check all applicable) PHARMACEUTICALS,

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

INC., 135 U.S. HIGHWAY 206, SUITE 15

(Street)

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

BEDMINSTER, NJÂ 07921

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

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 (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. 5. Ownership Conversion or Exercise Form of Price of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Derivative Security:

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Deletionships

	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Option (right to buy)	(1)	09/12/2023	Common Stock	28,000	\$ 3.15	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships		
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Cagle Gerald D.				
C/O AERIE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.	â v	Â	â	â
135 U.S. HIGHWAY 206, SUITE 15	АЛ	A	A	A
BEDMINSTER, NJ 07921				

Signatures

/s/Richard J. Rubino, Attorney-in-Fact for Gerald D.
Cagle 10/25/2013

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).

This option was granted on September 12, 2013 and is currently vested and exercisable with respect to 778 shares underlying the option.

Date

(1) The remaining shares underlying the unvested portion of the option will vest in equal installments on each monthly anniversary of the date of grant such that the option will be fully vested on September 12, 2016.

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