

AERIE PHARMACEUTICALS INC

Form 4

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**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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See Instruction  
1(b).**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
MAZZO JAMES V

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O AERIE  
PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 135  
U.S. HIGHWAY 206, SUITE 15

(Street)

BEDMINSTER, NJ 07921

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
AERIE PHARMACEUTICALS INC  
[AERI]3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
06/11/20144. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | 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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(9-02)**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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |     | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                    | 8. Description of<br>Underlying<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                                     |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|                                                     |                                                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                    | V                                                                                                            | (A)                                                            | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable                                                 | Expiration<br>Date | Title                                                             | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
| Option<br>(right to<br>buy)                         | \$ 17.55                                                              | 06/11/2014                              |                                                             | A                                       |                                                                                                              | 25,000                                                         |     | <u>(1)</u>                                                          | 06/11/2024         | Common<br>Stock                                                   | 25,000                              |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                                             | Relationships |           |         |       |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|                                                                                                            | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| MAZZO JAMES V<br>C/O AERIE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.<br>135 U.S. HIGHWAY 206, SUITE 15<br>BEDMINSTER, NJ 07921 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/James V. Mazzo 06/13/2014

          \*\*Signature of                      Date  
Reporting Person

### 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) This option was granted on June 11, 2014 and is scheduled to vest quarterly over the three-year period following the date of grant, 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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