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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

Herring Tom Issuer Symbol AeroVironment Inc [AVAV] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title C/O AEROVIRONMENT, INC., 181 04/22/2013 below) Senior VP and COO

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

W. HUNTINGTON DRIVE, SUITE 202

04/22/2013

MONROVIA, CA 91016

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Following (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V (D) Price Amount Common 20.000

(1) Stock

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Purchase)	\$ 18.07	04/22/2013		A	30,000	(2)	04/22/2023	Common Stock	30,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Herring Tom C/O AEROVIRONMENT, INC. 181 W. HUNTINGTON DRIVE, SUITE 202 MONROVIA, CA 91016

Senior VP and COO

Signatures

/s/ Marco Quihuis, Attorney-in-Fact 04/24/2013

**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) The shares are subject to a right of forfeiture in favor of the Company that lapses with respect to 4,000 shares on each of July 11, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018.
- (2) The options vest in five equal annual installments beginning one year from the date of grant.

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