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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement ALERE INC. [ALR] Lindner Nigel (Month/Day/Year) 03/08/2013 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 51 SAWYER ROAD, SUITE (Check all applicable) 200 (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer _ Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting VP, R&D Person WALTHAM, MAÂ 02453 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock D 812 Common Stock 1,376 I Owned by spouse Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying	4. Conversion	5. Ownership	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	Ownership
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	06/30/2011	06/30/2017	Common Stock	28,821	\$ 51.02	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/31/2012	10/31/2018	Common Stock	5,000	\$ 19.15	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	06/30/2019	Common Stock	5,058	\$ 35.58	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	10/31/2021	Common Stock	30,000	\$ 26.06	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(3)	02/28/2022	Common Stock	1,125	\$ 25.43	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/04/2010	10/04/2016	Common Stock	3,000	\$ 34.4	I	Owned by Spouse
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/31/2011	10/31/2017	Common Stock	7,500	\$ 60.09	I	Owned by Spouse
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(4)	08/31/2022	Common Stock	4,000	\$ 18.78	I	Owned by Spouse

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Lindner Nigel 51 SAWYER ROAD, SUITE 200 WALTHAM, MA 02453	Â	Â	VP, R&D	Â	

Signatures

/s/ Jay McNamara, Attorney-in-Fact 03/11/2013

**Signature of Reporting Person Da

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).
- (1) These options become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning 6/30/2010.
- (2) These options become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning 10/31/2012.
- (3) These options become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning 2/28/2013.
- (4) These options become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning 8/31/2013.

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