AtriCure, Inc. Form 4 April 07, 2006

FORM 4

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

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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 * Lanning Mark R

> (First) (Middle)

P.O. BOX #1

(City)

(Last)

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AtriCure, Inc. [ATRC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/06/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

(Instr. 4)

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Indirect

Person

5. Amount of

Securities

Beneficially

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

OLDENBURG, IN 47036

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Owned Following Reported (A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 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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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

5. Number of 4. TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

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

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Derivative or Disposed of Security (D)

(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (D) Date Exercisable Expiration Title (A)

Date

Amount

Number of Share

Stock

Option Common \$ 9.37 04/06/2007(1) 04/06/2016 04/06/2006 A 30,000 30,000 Stock (Right to

Buy)

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> 10% Owner Officer Director Other

Lanning Mark R

P.O. BOX #1 X

OLDENBURG, IN 47036

Signatures

/s/ Thomas J. Etergino as Attorney-in-Fact for Mark R. 04/07/2006 Lanning

> **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).
- Exercisable cumulatively at a rate of 25% per annum commencing on April 6, 2007 (one year from the date of grant).
- (2) Not applicable.

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