BIANCO LOUIS A Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BIANCO LOUIS A**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CELL THERAPEUTICS INC [ctic]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(First) (Middle) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

501 ELLIOTT AVENUE

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

12/15/2009

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

WEST, SUITE 400

(Street)

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

Applicable Line)

SEATTLE, WA 98119

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

(State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s) Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amor Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date** Underlying Secur Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) any

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Derivative Disposed of (D) Security (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Title Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Am Exercisable Date Nu Sha Performance 1.790,353 Common (1) \$0 12/31/2011 12/15/2009 Α Rights (1) (1) Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BIANCO LOUIS A 501 ELLIOTT AVENUE WEST SUITE 400 SEATTLE, WA 98119

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Signatures

Louis A. Bianco 12/17/2009

**Signature of Person 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).

On December 15, 2009, CTIC granted the reporting person a bonus opportunity that will be payable in CTIC common stock if certain performance goals are achieved on or before December 31, 2011. Should such a goal be timely achieved, the number of shares of CTIC common stock payable will be determined by multiplying the payout percentage that has been assigned by CTIC to that goal for purposes of the reporting person's award multiplied by the number of shares of CTIC common stock issued and outstanding at the time that particular goal is achieved. One such performance goal is attainment of a closing price for a share of CTIC common stock of \$2.94 or more. The bonus units reported above reflect the 0.305% payout percentage that has been assigned by CTIC to this stock price goal for purposes of the reporting person's award multiplied by the number of shares of CTIC common stock issued and outstanding on December 15, 2009.

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