ATHERSYS, INC / NEW

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WYSZOMIERSKI JACK L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

3201 CARNEGIE AVENUE

(Street)

(State)

ATHERSYS, INC / NEW [ATHX]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Instr. 8)

(Month/Day/Year)

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

09/10/2013

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

CLEVELAND, OH 44115

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

Owned

Following

below)

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially

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

Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

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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 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 4. Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

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| | Derivative Security | | | | or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------|------|---|---------------------------------------------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Director stock option (right to purchase) | \$ 1.71 | 09/10/2013 | A | | 15,000 | | <u>(1)</u> | 09/10/2023 | Common Stock | 15,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| reporting Owner Praint / Praintess | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| WYSZOMIERSKI JACK L | | | | | | | |
| 3201 CARNEGIE AVENUE | X | | | | | | |
| CLEVELAND, OH 44115 | | | | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Laura K. Campbell, as attorney-in-fact for Jack L. Wyszomierski

09/11/2013

**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 option vests over one year in quarterly increments from June 18, 2013.

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