AWARE INC /MA/ Form 4 September 11, 2009

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **GROSS RICHARD W**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AWARE INC /MA/ [AWRE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

(Zip)

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

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

C/O AWARE INC, 40 MIDDLESEX 09/09/2009

TURNPIKE

(City)

(Instr. 3)

below) below)

Senior VP - Engineering

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

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

BEDFORD, MA 01730

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(State)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following (Instr. 4) Reported

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

(9-02)

(A)

Transaction(s)

8,000

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

Common Stock

D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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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. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 2.52					(2)	05/20/2019	Common Stock	12,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.44					(3)	05/23/2018	Common Stock	43,200
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.06					<u>(4)</u>	02/12/2017	Common Stock	75,000 (1)
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.58					<u>(5)</u>	02/22/2010	Common Stock	40,000 (1)
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.07					<u>(6)</u>	02/09/2015	Common Stock	10,399 (1)
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.07					<u>(6)</u>	02/09/2015	Common Stock	32,101 (1)
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.95					<u>(7)</u>	09/08/2014	Common Stock	50,000 (1)
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.27					<u>(8)</u>	10/14/2013	Common Stock	30,581 (1) (12)
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.27					(8)	10/14/2013	Common Stock	25,919 (1) (12)
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.27					<u>(9)</u>	10/14/2013	Common Stock	37,500 (1) (12)
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.27					(10)	10/14/2013	Common Stock	57,501 (1) (12)
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.27					(11)	10/14/2013	Common Stock	50,000 (1) (12)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

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GROSS RICHARD W C/O AWARE INC 40 MIDDLESEX TURNPIKE BEDFORD, MA 01730

Senior VP - Engineering

Signatures

/s/ Richard W. 09/09/2009 Gross

**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).
- Option was amended on September 9, 2009; the holder shall now have the right to exercise this option within two years after the date of termination of services, but not later than the expiration date of the agreement.
- (2) Vests in 8 equal quarterly installments on the last day of each quarter from June 30, 2009 through March 31, 2011 and is exercisable upon the date the reporting person ceases to be paid by Aware, Inc. for services or expiration, whichever is sooner.
- (3) Vests in 16 equal quarterly installments on the last day of each quarter from June 30, 2008 through March 31, 2012.
- (4) Vests in 16 equal quarterly installments on the last day of each quarter from March 31 2007 through December 31, 2010.
- (5) Vests in 16 equal quarterly installments on the last day of each quarter from March 31 2006 through December 31, 2009.
- (6) Vests in full on February 9, 2005.
- (7) 50% vests on September 8, 2004, the remaining 50% vests in 8 equal quarterly installments of 6.25%, beginning as of December 31, 2004, until fully vested.
- (8) Vests in full on October 14, 2003.
- (9) 75% vests on October 14, 2003, the remaining 25% vests in 4 equal quarterly installments of 6.25%, until fully vested.
- (10) 50% vests on October 14, 2003, the remaining 50% vests in 8 equal quarterly installments of 6.25%, until fully vested.
- (11) 25% vests on October 14, 2003, the remaining 75% vests in 12 equal quarterly installments of 6.25%, until fully vested.
- Option received by reporting person in exchange for cancellation of one or more options on April 3, 2003 pursuant to issuer's option exchange program.

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