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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement Ceres, Inc. [CERE] A Hamilton Richard William (Month/Day/Year) 02/21/2012 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O CERES, INC., 1535 (Check all applicable) RANCHO CONEJO **BOULEVARD** _X_ Director 10% Owner (Street) _X__ Officer Other 6. Individual or Joint/Group (give title below) (specify below) Filing(Check Applicable Line) President and CEO _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person **THOUSAND** Form filed by More than One OAKS, CAÂ 91320 Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock 56,666 D By Richard Hamilton 2011 -Common Stock I 33,333 Ceres GRAT 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

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)	Expiration D	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (Right To Buy)	(1)	09/23/2012	Common Stock	400,000	\$ 1.95	D	Â
Stock Option (Right To Buy)	(1)	01/16/2016	Common Stock	68,333	\$ 3.9	D	Â
Stock Option (Right To Buy)	(1)	12/20/2017	Common Stock	187,332	\$ 6.75	D	Â
Stock Option (Right To Buy)	(2)	06/22/2021	Common Stock	66,666	\$ 16.77	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
r g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Hamilton Richard William C/O CERES, INC. 1535 RANCHO CONEJO BOULEVARD THOUSAND OAKS. CA 91320	ÂΧ	Â	President and CEO	Â		

Signatures

/s/ Wilfriede van Assche, Attorney-in-Fact for Richard William
Hamilton

02/08/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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) The option is fully vested and exercisable.
- (2) The option is subject to an early exercise provision and is immediately exercisable in full. Forty percent of the shares subject to the option vest on June 23, 2013, and one sixtieth of the shares vest monthly thereafter.

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Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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