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See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Campbell Laura K	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
	ATHERSYS, INC / NEW [ATHX]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
	(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
3201 CARNEGIE AVENUE	06/15/2018	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
		Senior Vice Pres Finance			
(Street)	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			

CLEVELAND, OH 44115-2634

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(City)	(State) (Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities	7. Nature of Indirect			
(Instr. 3)	• •	any	Code	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	06/15/2018		F	4,565 (1)	D	\$ 2.32	557,244	D		
Common Stock	06/18/2018		A	50,400 (2)	A	\$ 0	607,644 (3)	D		

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 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		rative Expiration Date rities (Month/Day/Year) ired (A) or osed of (D)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (right to	\$ 2.31	06/18/2018		A	120,000		<u>(4)</u>	06/18/2028	Common Stock	120,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Campbell Laura K 3201 CARNEGIE AVENUE CLEVELAND, OH 44115-2634

Senior Vice Pres Finance

Signatures

purchase)

/s/ Laura K. 06/19/2018 Campbell

**Signature of 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).
- (1) Shares withheld from the quarterly vesting of annual restricted stock unit awards related to the minimum tax withholding obligation.
- (2) Award of annual restricted stock units, each of which represents a contingent right to receive one share of Athersys, Inc. common stock after vesting. The restricted stock units vest ratably on a quarterly basis over a three-year period.
- (3) Securities beneficially owned are comprised of: (1) 450,692 shares of common stock owned and (2) unvested restricted stock units aggregating 156,952 related to annual awards, which vest quarterly over a three or four-year period from grant date.
- (4) Award of an annual stock option. The option vests ratably on a quarterly basis over a three-year period.

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