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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add Venteicher Ro	ress of Reporting Person * bert	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AFFYMAX INC [AFFY]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	, 11			
		(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
C/O AFFYMA	X, INC., 4001	11/02/2012	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify			
MIRANDA A	VE.		below) below) SVP, Technical Operations			
	(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			
PALO ALTO,	CA 94304		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed o							f, or Beneficially Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock	11/02/2012		M	508	A	\$ 7.99	25,502	D			
Common Stock	11/02/2012		M	687	A	\$ 10.99	26,189	D			
Common Stock	11/02/2012		S	1,195 (1)	D	\$ 23.63	24,994	D			

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	onof Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr
				Code V	(A) ((D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.99	11/02/2012		M	5	508	(2)	01/30/2022	Common Stock	508	\$
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.99	11/02/2012		M	6	687	(3)	01/14/2019	Common Stock	687	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Venteicher Robert C/O AFFYMAX, INC. 4001 MIRANDA AVE. PALO ALTO, CA 94304

SVP, Technical Operations

Signatures

/s/ Grace Shin, Attorney-in-fact

**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 sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan.
- (2) The shares vest and become exercisable in a series of forty-eight (48) successive equal monthly installments over the four (4) year period beginning January 1, 2012.

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(3) The shares vest and become exercisable in a series of forty-eight (48) successive equal monthly installments over the four (4) year period measured from January 1, 2009.

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