

AERIE PHARMACEUTICALS INC  
 Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p><b>Â RUBINO RICHARD J</b></p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>C/O AERIE              PHARMACEUTICALS,              INC., Â 135 U.S. HIGHWAY              206, SUITE 15</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>BEDMINSTER, Â NJ Â 07921</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>10/25/2013</p>	<p>3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p><b>AERIE PHARMACEUTICALS INC [AERI]</b></p>	<p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other                  (give title below) (specify below)                  Chief Financial Officer</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person  <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	200,973 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	Â
Common Stock	170,061 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	Â

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

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**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)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Option (right to buy)	Â (3)	03/21/2023	Common Stock	174,938	\$ 2.9	D	Â
Option (right to buy)	Â (4)	09/12/2023	Common Stock	25,000	\$ 3.15	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RUBINO RICHARD J C/O AERIE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 135 U.S. HIGHWAY 206, SUITE 15 BEDMINSTER, NJ 07921	Â	Â	Â Chief Financial Officer	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Richard J.  
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10/25/2013

\_\_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) These shares of restricted Common Stock were granted on March 21, 2013. The award is vested with respect to 53,134 shares. The remaining shares of restricted Common Stock will vest in equal installments on each monthly anniversary of the date of grant such that the award will be fully vested on March 21, 2015.

(2) These shares of restricted Common Stock were granted on March 21, 2013. The award is vested with respect to 42,515 shares. The remaining shares of restricted Common Stock will vest in equal installments on the 14th day of each month such that the award will be fully vested on October 14, 2016.

(3) This option was granted on March 21, 2013 and is currently vested and exercisable with respect to 43,735 shares underlying the option. The remaining shares underlying the unvested portion of the option will vest in equal installments on the 15th day of each month such that the option will be fully vested on October 15, 2016.

(4) This option was granted on September 12, 2013 and is scheduled to vest with respect to 25% of the underlying shares on September 12, 2014, and thereafter in 36 equal installments on each monthly anniversary of the date of grant.

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