ATHERSYS, INC / NEW

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Harrington John J Issuer Symbol ATHERSYS, INC / NEW [ATHX] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title 3201 CARNEGIE AVENUE 06/17/2014 below) Chief Scientific Officer (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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	(1115411-1)	
Common Stock	06/17/2014		A	53,856 (1)	A	\$ 0	627,954	D	
Common Stock	06/18/2014		F	15,619 (2)	D	\$ 1.65	612,335	D	
Common Stock	06/18/2014		S	4,075 (3)	D	\$ 1.6467 (4)	608,260	D	
Common Stock	06/19/2014		S	4,075 (3)	D	\$ 1.6167 (5)	604,185 (6)	D	

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee incentive stock option (right to purchase)	\$ 1.65	06/17/2014		A	121,152		<u>(7)</u>	06/17/2024	Common Stock	121,15

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Harrington John J

3201 CARNEGIE AVENUE X Chief Scientific Officer CLEVELAND, OH 44115

Signatures

/s/ Laura K. Campbell, as attorney-in-fact for John J.

Harrington 06/19/2014

**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) 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 four-year period.
- (2) Shares withheld from the quarterly vesting of a June 2013 restricted stock unit award related to the minimum tax withholding obligation.
- (3) Shares sold pursuant to a predefined Rule 10b5-1 trading plan solely related to the tax obligation on the quarterly vesting of a June 2013 restricted stock unit award.

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The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$1.625 to \$1.68, inclusive, in accordance with a previously established Rule 10b5-1 predefined trading plan enacted solely related to the tax obligation.

- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$1.58 (5) to \$1.65, inclusive, in accordance with a previously established Rule 10b5-1 predefined trading plan enacted solely related to the tax obligation.
- Securities beneficially owned are comprised of: (1) 169,962 shares of common stock owned, (2) 380,367 restricted stock units awarded on June 20, 2013 related to the termination of 2005 incentive agreements that will vest ratably on a quarterly basis through June 18, 2016, and (3) restricted stock units awarded on an annual basis amounting to 53,856 that vest quarterly over a four-year period from grant date.
- (7) Award of an annual incentive stock option. The option vests ratably on a quarterly basis over a four-year period.

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