ERVIN HOWARD G

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ERVIN HOWARD G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Symbol

CERUS CORP [CERS]

(Middle)

(Zip)

(Check all applicable)

Vice President, Legal Affairs

C/O CERUS CORPORATION, 2411

(Month/Day/Year) 10/01/2007

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

STANWELL DRIVE

(Street)

(State)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

CONCORD, CA 94520

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I)

(Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Security or Exercise Code any

5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and TransactionDerivative **Expiration Date** Securities (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8 **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares Option Common (Right to \$ 8.73 10/01/2007 A 30,000 (1) 09/30/2017 30,000 Stock Buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ERVIN HOWARD G C/O CERUS CORPORATION 2411 STANWELL DRIVE CONCORD, CA 94520

Vice President, Legal Affairs

Signatures

Howard G. Ervin by Lori L. Roll, attorney-in-fact

10/03/2007

**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) One eighth (1/8th) of the shares subject to the Option shall vest six (6) months after the transaction date and one forty-eighth (1/48th) of the shares subject to the Option shall vest on the first day of each month thereafter.
- (2) Not applicable.

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