

Bitzer John III  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Bitzer John III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 APPLIED DNA SCIENCES INC  
 [APDN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 10/17/2018

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

50 HEALTH SCIENCES DRIVE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

STONY BROOK, NY 11790

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |     |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    |                                | (A) or (D)                                                        | Code                                                                                | V                                                        | Amount                            | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
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| (Instr. 3)                           | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8)<br>Code | (A) or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (A)    | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration Date           | Title           | Am<br>or<br>Nur<br>of S |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------|-----|---------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| Stock<br>Option<br>(right to<br>buy) | \$ 5.82                            | 10/17/2018       | D <sup>(1)</sup>   |                                                   | 12,778 |     | <u>(1)</u>          | 10/17/2018 <sup>(1)</sup> | Common<br>Stock | 12                      |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(right to<br>buy) | \$ 5.82                            | 10/17/2018       | A <sup>(1)</sup>   |                                                   | 12,778 |     | <u>(1)</u>          | 10/17/2023                | Common<br>Stock | 12                      |

### Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                       | Relationships |           |         |       |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|                                                                      | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Bitzer John III<br>50 HEALTH SCIENCES DRIVE<br>STONY BROOK, NY 11790 |               |           | X       |       |

### Signatures

/s/ Beth Jantzen,  
Attorney-in-Fact

10/17/2018

\_\_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).
- The two reported transactions involve an amendment of an outstanding option to extend the expiration date of such option from October (1) 17, 2018 to October 17, 2023, resulting in the deemed cancelation of the "old" option and the grant of a replacement option. The option was originally granted on October 17, 2013 and provided for immediate vesting upon date of grant.
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