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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

À Abruzzo Elsa Chi

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)

08/04/2005

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AtriCure, Inc. [ATRC]

6033 SCHUMACHER PARK

DRIVE

(City)

(Street)

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) VP; Regulatory&ClinicalAffairs

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

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

WEST CHESTER, OHÂ 45069

(State)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

Direct (D) or Indirect

(I) (Instr. 5) Ownership (Instr. 5)

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)

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

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Date Exercisable Expiration

Date

Title

Amount or Security Number of Shares

Security: Direct (D) or Indirect

(I)

(Instr. 5)

Stock Option (Right to Buy) $02/16/2005_{\frac{(1)}{2}}$ 02/16/2014 Common Stock 26,315 \$ 1.52 D \hat{A}

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Abruzzo Elsa Chi 6033 SCHUMACHER PARK DRIVE WEST CHESTER. OH 45069	Â	Â	VP; Regulatory&ClinicalAffairs	Â

Signatures

/s/ Thomas J. Etergino as Attorney-in-Fact for Elsa Chi Abruzzo 08/15/2005

**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) Exercisable cumulatively at a rate of 25% per annum commencing on February 16, 2005 (one year from the date of grant).

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