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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Walsh Jeffrey T.

(First) (Middle)

C/O BLUEBIRD BIO, INC., 60 **BINNEY STREET**

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

bluebird bio, Inc. [BLUE]

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

09/10/2018

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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

Chief Financial / and Strategy Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tak	ole I - Non-	Derivativ	e Seci	urities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transactioror Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			(D) (5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/10/2018		Code V M	Amount 1,500	(D)	Price \$ 24.47	36,995	D	
Common Stock	09/10/2018		S <u>(1)</u>	501	D	\$ 149.2211 (2)	36,494	D	
Common Stock	09/10/2018		S <u>(1)</u>	700	D	\$ 150.2357 (3)	35,495	D	
Common Stock	09/10/2018		S <u>(1)</u>	299	D	\$ 151.5667 (4)	35,495	D	

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	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 or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.47	09/10/2018		M	1,500	(5)	03/03/2024	Common Stock	1,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Walsh Jeffrey T.

C/O BLUEBIRD BIO, INC. 60 BINNEY STREET

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142

Chief Financial and Strategy Officer

Signatures

/s/ Jason F. Cole, Attorney-in-Fact

09/12/2018

**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).
- (1) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on July 2, 2018.
- The range of prices for the transaction reported on this line was \$149.00 to \$149.75. The average weighted price was \$149.2211. The reporting person will provide, upon request by the SEC, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

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- The range of prices for the transaction reported on this line was \$150.00 to \$150.65. The average weighted price was \$150.2357. The reporting person will provide, upon request by the SEC, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- The range of prices for the transaction reported on this line was \$151.45 to \$151.70. The average weighted price was \$151.5667. The reporting person will provide, upon request by the SEC, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (5) This option vested over a four-year period, at a rate of twenty-five percent (25%) on January 1, 2015 and in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter.

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