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(Print or Type Respor	nses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> LAPORTE KATHLEEN			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AFFYMAX INC [AFFY]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (1	Middle)	3. Date of	of Earliest T	ransaction		(Check an applicable)				
C/O AFFYMAX, INC., 4001 MIRANDA AVE.			(Month/Day/Year) 05/28/2009				X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) below)				
File				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 				
PALO ALTO, C.	A 94304						Person		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
(City) (State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-l	Derivative	Securities A	Acquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned		
	insaction Date th/Day/Year)	2A. Deemo Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) Code V	Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	(A) or of (D)	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)		
Reminder: Report on	a separate line	for each cl	ass of sec	urities bene	Perso inform requir	ns who res nation con red to resp nys a curre	or indirectly. spond to the colle tained in this forn ond unless the fo ntly valid OMB co	n are not rm	SEC 1474 (9-02)		

 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
 (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	8. I
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	nof Derivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	Der
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Sec

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)	d of					(
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.79	05/28/2009		А		2,500		<u>(1)</u>	05/27/2019	Common Stock	2,500	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting O when I tunie / I turi ess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LAPORTE KATHLEEN C/O AFFYMAX, INC. 4001 MIRANDA AVE. PALO ALTO, CA 94304	Х						
Signatures							
/s/ Craig L. Slutzkin, Attorney-in-Fact		05/29/20	09				
**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 option shall vest in 12 monthly installments beginning May 28, 2009.

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