

Venteicher Robert
Form 4
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Venteicher Robert

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O AFFYMAX, INC., 4001
MIRANDA AVE.

(Street)

PALO ALTO, CA 94304

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
AFFYMAX INC [AFFY]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
10/05/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

SVP, Technical Operations

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

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 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	10/05/2012		M	11,789 (A) or (D)	\$ 10.99	36,783	D
Common Stock	10/05/2012		S	11,789 (1)	\$ 22	24,994	D
Common Stock	10/09/2012		M	10,938 (A) or (D)	\$ 15	35,932	D
Common Stock	10/09/2012		S	10,938 (1)	\$ 23	24,994	D

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 (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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.99	10/05/2012		M	11,789	(2) 01/14/2019	Common Stock	11,789
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15	10/09/2012		M	10,938	(3) 05/28/2018	Common Stock	10,938

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Venteicher Robert C/O AFFYMAX, INC. 4001 MIRANDA AVE. PALO ALTO, CA 94304	SVP, Technical Operations

Signatures

/s/ Grace Shin,
Attorney-in-fact 10/09/2012

__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.

(2) The shares vest and become exercisable in a series of forty-eight (48) successive equal monthly installments over the four (4) year period measured from January 1, 2009.

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(3) The option becomes exercisable in equal monthly installments over four years from June 1, 2008.

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