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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

A Braga Larry J

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

12/19/2006

ARTES MEDICAL INC [ARTE]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5870 PACIFIC CENTER

BOULEVARD

(Street)

(Check all applicable)

Director _X__ Officer

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

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

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

SAN DIEGO, CAÂ 92121

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

VP Manufacturing

Ownership Form:

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (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

Ownership Form of Derivative Security:

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6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Date Expiration Exercisable Date

Title

Amount or Number of Shares

Derivative Security Direct (D)

or Indirect (I)

1

						(Instr. 5)		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	09/15/2014	Common Stock	23,529	\$ 4.25	D	Â	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	12/15/2015	Common Stock	8,235	\$ 5.31	D	Â	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(3)	12/15/2015	Common Stock	23,529	\$ 5.31	D	Â	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(4)	06/30/2016	Common Stock	41,176	\$ 7.86	D	Â	

Reporting Owners

Relationships					
Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Â	Â	VP Manufacturing	Â		
	Director Â	Director 10% Owner	Director 10% Owner Officer VP Manufacturing		

Signatures

/s/ Larry J.
Braga

**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) 1/8 of the shares represented by this option vest and become exercisable on December 1, 2004 and the remaining shares vest and become exercisable in 42 equal monthly installments beginning on January 1, 2005.
- (2) This option vests and becomes exercisable in 48 equal installments on each monthly anniversary of the date of grant (June 13, 2005).
- (3) This option vests and becomes exercisable in 48 equal installments on each monthly anniversary of the date of grant (December 15, 2005).
- (4) This option vests and becomes exercisable in 48 equal installments on each monthly anniversary of the date of grant (June 30, 2006).

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