FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Joice Judy R | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DURECT CORP [DRRX] | | | | | | | | ationship of k all applical Director | Reporting Person(s) to Issuer sle) 10% Owner | | | | | |
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| (Last) (First) (Middle) 10260 BUBB ROAD | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/28/2014 | | | | | | | X | Officer (g below) Sr. VP | • | | Other (s below) & Corp Q | | |
| (Street) | INO C | TA | 95014 | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | Line) | X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reportin | | | | 1 | |
| (City) | (5 | State) | (Zip) | rivati | vo S | ٥. | uritio | ς Λ | cauire | 4 D | isnosed a | of or B | enefic | Person | ned | | | |
| Table I - Non-Derivati 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/D. | | | | ction 2 E Day/Year) a | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, any (Month/Day/Ye | | e, if Transaction Code (Instr. | | 4. Securities Acquir on Disposed Of (D) (Ins | | (A) or | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | |
| | | | | | | | | | | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (Instr. 4) | |
| | 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, any (Month/Day/Ye | Code (Inst | | - 1 | | | 6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea | | ! | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti | e Owners s Form: llly Direct (I or Indire g (I) (Instr | Ownership | Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | Co | de | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisabl | e | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | (Instr. 4) | ' | | |
| Incentive Stock Option (right to buy) | \$1.36 | 03/28/2014 | | | A | | 22,500 | | 06/28/20 | 14 ⁽¹⁾ | 03/28/2024 | Common Stock | 22,500 | \$0 | 22,50 | 00 | D | |
| Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$1.36 | 03/28/2014 | | | А | | 17,500 | | 06/28/20 | 14 ⁽¹⁾ | 03/28/2024 | Common Stock | 17,500 | \$0 | 17,50 | 00 | D | |

1. ISO/NQ Grants Dated March 28, 2014 combined will vest as follows: one-sixteenth (1/16) of the total shares subject to the option shall vest quarterly over four (4) years following the Grant Date.

Judith R Joice

04/10/2014

** Signature of Reporting Person $% \left\{ \mathbf{r}_{1}^{\mathbf{r}_{2}}\right\} =\mathbf{r}_{1}^{\mathbf{r}_{3}}$

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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