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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Russell Kevin Thomas

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

AWARE INC /MA/ [AWRE]

(Check all applicable)

co-CEO& co-President, GC

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O AWARE INC, 40 MIDDLESEX 03/28/2016

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title below)

TURNPIKE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

D

Person

BEDFORD, MA 01730

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common Stock

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

156,439

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)

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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 of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed o (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
Unrestricted Stock Award	\$ 0	03/28/2016		A	35,000	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	35,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Russell Kevin Thomas C/O AWARE INC 40 MIDDLESEX TURNPIKE BEDFORD, MA 01730	X		co-CEO& co-President, GC				

Signatures

/s/ Kevin T.
Russell

**Signature of Reporting Person

O3/29/2016

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).

Shares of unrestricted stock awarded to reporting person under Aware, Inc. 2001 Nonqualified Stock Plan. The shares will be issued as (1) follows; 17,500 shares on June 30, 2016, and 17,500 shares on December 31, 2016 provided the reporting person is serving as a director, officer or employee of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company on said dates.

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