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(Print or Type Re	esponses)									
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> CASSIN BJ			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CERUS CORP [CERS]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (I	Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				(Check an applicable)			
C/O CERUS STANWELL	CORPORATIC DRIVE	ON, 2411	(Month/ 01/02/2	Day/Year) 2009			X Director Officer (giv below)		% Owner ner (specify	
(Street)			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 			
CONCORD,	CA 94520						Person	where than one R	epotting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Securities A	Acquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
	. Transaction Date Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemo Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, -	(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: Repor	rt on a separate line	for each of	ass of sec	urities hen	eficially ow	ned 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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	8
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orDerivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	D
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	S

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	ative		str. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				(
			Coo	de V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 0.82	01/02/2009	А	X	22,500		(1)	01/01/2019	Common Stock	22,500	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Mane / Marciss	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CASSIN BJ C/O CERUS CORPORATION 2411 STANWELL DRIVE CONCORD, CA 94520	X						
Signatures							
B. J. Cassin by Howard G. Ervin attorney-in-fact	l,		01/06/2	2009			

**Signature of Reporting Person

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 becomes exerciseable in 12 equal monthly installments beginning on January 31, 2009.
- (2) Not applicable.

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