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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Howley Michael G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

ABIOMED INC [ABMD]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

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

Director 10% Owner

C/O ABIOMED, INC., 22 CHERRY

05/05/2015

(Month/Day/Year)

Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title below)

(Street)

VP, Global Sales & Marketing

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4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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Person

DANVERS, MA 01923

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secui	ities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(A) or			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, \$.01 par value	05/05/2015		Code V	Amount 15,000 (5)	(D)	Price	90,583	D	
Common Stock, \$.01 par value	05/07/2015		S <u>(6)</u>	3,570 (6)	D	\$ 70.2888 <u>(7)</u>	87,013	D	
Common Stock, \$.01 par value	05/07/2015		S <u>(6)</u>	950 <u>(6)</u>	D	\$ 71.62 (8)	86,063	D	

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Common Stock, \$.01 par value	05/07/2015	S <u>(6)</u>	380 (6)	D	\$ 72.7584 (9)	85,683	D
Common Stock, \$.01 par value	05/07/2015	S <u>(6)</u>	100 (6)	D	\$ 73.22	85,583	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shar
Stock Option (Right to Buy) (1)	\$ 5.23						03/05/2009(2)	03/05/2019	Common Stock	0
Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 5.86	10/31/2014		M		15,000	03/31/2010(3)	05/28/2019	Common Stock	15,00
Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 10.03						06/03/2011(2)	06/03/2020	Common Stock	0
Stock Option (Right to buy) (1)	\$ 22.44						05/22/2013(2)	05/22/2022	Common Stock	0
Stock Option (Right to	\$ 23.15						05/14/2014(2)	05/14/2023	Common Stock	0

Buy) (1)

Stock

Option (Right to \$21.55

 $05/14/2015_{\underline{(4)}} \quad 05/14/2024$

Common Stock

Buy) (1)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Howley Michael G C/O ABIOMED, INC. 22 CHERRY HILL DRIVE DANVERS, MA 01923

VP, Global Sales & Marketing

Signatures

/s/ Stephen C. McEvoy (by power of attorney)

05/07/2015

**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) Grant to reporting person of option to buy the number of shares of common stock set forth on Table II, Column 7, under the Abiomed, Inc. 2008 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (2) These options become exerciseable in annual 25% increments, commencing on the date shown forth in Table II, Column 6.
- (3) These options became exerciseable upon the achievement of a certain performance milestone.
- (4) These options become exercisable in annual 33-1/3% increments, commencing on the date shown in Table II, Column 6.
- Represents shares of common stock underlying performance-based awards of restricted stock units granted to this reporting person on May 14, 2014. One third of these restricted stock units vested on May 5, 2015 (into an equal number of shares of common stock) upon the issuer's achievement of a certain performance milestone with the remaining vesting on the first and second anniversary of the date of the grant.
- (6) Sale of common stock pursuant to reporting owner's 10b5-1 plan, including for payment of withholding tax liability associated with the vesting of performance-based awards of restricted stock units.
- This price represents the weighted average sale price of multiple transactions on the reported date at prices that ranged between \$70.0100 (7) and \$70.9600. Detailed information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price will be provided upon request by the Commission staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer.
- This price represents the weighted average sale price of multiple transactions on the reported date at prices that ranged between \$71.0100 (8) and \$72.0000. Detailed information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price will be provided upon request by the Commission staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer.
- This price represents the weighted average sale price of multiple transactions on the reported date at prices that ranged between \$72.1600 (9) and \$73.1500. Detailed information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price will be provided upon request by the Commission staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer.

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