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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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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* <u>Steckel Ronald</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 1212 TERRA BELLA AVENUE (Street) MOUNTAIN CA 94043 VIEW CA 94043 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>IRIDEX CORP [IRIX]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>VP, Operations</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>04/16/2012</u>	
		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	04/16/2012		A		5,000 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$0	5,000	D	

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Stock Option Right to Buy ⁽²⁾	\$3.99	04/16/2012		A		50,000		04/16/2013 ⁽³⁾	04/16/2019	Common Stock	\$0	50,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Shares are represented by restricted stock units and will vest annually over a 4 year period.
- This option was granted pursuant to IRIDEX Corporation's 2008 Equity Incentive Plan and is exempt to Rule 16b-3.
- The shares shall vest as follows: 12/48ths of the shares shall vest 12 months after the Vesting Commencement Date and 1/48th of the shares shall vest each month thereafter.

Remarks:

/s/ Susan Bruce, Attorney-in-Fact for Ronald Steckel 04/17/2012

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

* 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).

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