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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

C/O CERES, INC., Â 1535

RANCHO CONEJO **BOULEVARD**

Person *

A Stephenson Michael Francis

(Last)

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

(Month/Day/Year)

02/21/2012

Statement

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Ceres, Inc. [CERE]

4. Relationship of Reporting

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director _X__ Officer

10% Owner Other

(give title below) (specify below) Vice President of Operations 6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

THOUSAND OAKS, CAÂ 91320

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5) Form:

Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially

owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security

Conversion or Exercise Price of

4.

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

(Instr. 4)

Expiration Exercisable Date

Title Amount or Number of Derivative Security

Security: Direct (D)

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				Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (Right To Buy)	(1)	06/03/2018	Common Stock	99,999	\$ 6.75	D	Â
Stock Option (Right To Buy)	(2)	06/07/2020	Common Stock	33,332	\$ 6.75	D	Â
Stock Option (Right To Buy)	(3)	06/22/2021	Common Stock	13,333	\$ 16.77	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
· F	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Stephenson Michael Francis C/O CERES, INC. 1535 RANCHO CONEJO BOULEVARD THOUSAND OAKS, CA 91320	Â	Â	Vice President of Operations	Â	

Signatures

/s/ Wilfriede van Assche, Attorney-in-Fact for Michael Francis Stephenson

02/08/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 is subject to an early exercise provision and is immediately exercisable in full. One-fourth of the shares subject to the option vested on June 1, 2009, and one forty-eighth of the shares vest monthly thereafter.
- The option is subject to an early exercise provision and is immediately exercisable in full. One-fourth of the shares subject to the option vested on June 8, 2011, and one forty-eighth of the shares vest monthly thereafter.
- (3) The option is subject to an early exercise provision and is immediately exercisable in full. Forty percent of the shares subject to the option vest on June 23, 2013, and one sixtieth of the shares vest monthly thereafter.

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Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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