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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Orwin John A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O AFFYMAX, INC., 4001
 MIRANDA AVE.

(Street)

PALO ALTO, CA 94304

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 AFFYMAX INC [AFFY]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 10/01/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	10/01/2012		M		3,300 A \$ 5.83	95,300	D
Common Stock	10/01/2012		M		8,332 A \$ 6.9	103,632	D
Common Stock	10/01/2012		S		11,632 (1) D \$ 21.04	92,000	D

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

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The shares vest and become exercisable in a series of forty-eight (48) successive equal monthly installments over the four (4) year period measured from February 1, 2011.

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