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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| Instruction 1(b). | |

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Add <u>Westby Keit</u> | 1 0 | Person* | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol IVERIC bio, Inc. [ISEE] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | | | | V Officer (give title Other (specify | | | | | |
| | (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O IVERIC BIO, INC. ONE PENN PLAZA, 35TH FLOOR | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/09/2019 | SVP & COO | | | | | |
| (Street) NEW YORK (City) | NY (State) | 10119 (Zip) | 4. If Amendment, Date of 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 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) | | Transaction Code (Instr. | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (Instr. 4) |

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. Transa Code (8) | | 5. Numb of Derivati Securiti Acquire (A) or Dispose of (D) (II 3, 4 and | ve es d ed nstr. | 6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y | ate | 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 | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$5.22 | 12/09/2019 | | Α | | 75,000 | | (1) | 12/08/2029 | Common Stock | 75,000 | \$0 | 75,000 | D | |
| Restricted Stock Units | (2) | 12/09/2019 | | Α | | 40,000 | | (3) | (3) | Common Stock | 40,000 | \$0 | 40,000 | D | |
| Restricted Stock Units | (2) | 12/09/2019 | | А | | 65,000 | | (4) | (4) | Common Stock | 65,000 | \$0 | 65,000 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Subject to continued employment with the Registrant and the other terms and conditions under the Registrant's 2013 Stock Incentive Plan, the stock option award will vest with respect to 25% of the shares subject to the option on the first anniversary of the grant date and with respect to the remaining shares in approximately equal monthly installments through the fourth anniversary of the grant date.

2. Each restricted stock unit represents the contingent right to receive one share of common stock upon vesting of the unit.

3. Subject to continued employment with the Registrant and the other terms and conditions under the Registrant's 2013 Stock Incentive Plan, the award of restricted stock units will vest with respect to 25% of the shares subject to the award on each of the first, second, third and fourth anniversaries of the grant date.

4. Subject to continued employment with the Registrant and the other terms and conditions under the Registrant's 2013 Stock Incentive Plan, the award of restricted stock units will vest with respect to 50% of the shares subject to the award on December 31, 2020 and with respect to the remaining 50% of the shares subject to the award on December 31, 2021.

<u>/s/ Todd Anderman, as</u> <u>Attorney-in-Fact for Keith</u>

<u>Westby</u>

12/11/2019

** 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).

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