

Capponi Vincent
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FORM 4

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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 *
Capponi Vincent

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O CYTOSORBENTS CORPORATION, 7 DEER PARK DRIVE, SUITE K

(Street)

MONMOUTH JUNCTION, NJ 08852

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Cytosorbents Corp [CTSO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/28/2018

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)
Chief Operating Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 08/28/2018 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | V Amount (A) or (D) Price 9,565 A \$ 3.75 | 342,333 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/28/2018 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | D \$ 13 | 332,768 ⁽²⁾ | 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. 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 3.45 | 08/28/2018 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | 9,565 | 05/05/2010 ⁽³⁾ 05/05/2020 | Common Stock 9,565 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Capponi Vincent C/O CYTOSORBENTS CORPORATION 7 DEER PARK DRIVE, SUITE K MONMOUTH JUNCTION, NJ 08852 | | | Chief Operating Officer | |

Signatures

/s/ Vincent
Capponi

08/30/2018

**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) Stock option exercise and open market sale conducted pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- Includes (i) the following RSUs that will be settled into common stock upon vesting upon a "Change In Control" of the Company: (a) 17,900 RSUs granted on February 24, 2017, (b) 54,000 RSUs granted on June 7, 2016, (c) 125,000 RSUs granted on April 8, 2015 and (d) 10,100 RSUs granted on March 15, 2018 and reported on this Form 4, (ii) the following RSUs subject to vesting as to one-third of the award on each of the date of grant, the first anniversary of the date of grant, and the second anniversary of the date of grant, subject to the reporting person's continued service as of the applicable vesting date, and will be settled into common stock upon vesting: (a) 11,980 of the RSUs granted to the reporting person on February 24, 2017 and unvested as of the date hereof, and (b) 25,334 RSUs granted on February 28, 2018 and unvested as of the date hereof and (iii) 88,454 shares of common stock owned by the reporting person.
- (3) These stock options vested at the discretion of the Company's Board of Directors based on satisfying certain criteria including a timely completion of the sepsis trial, raising capital for the Company, and partnering and business development. The options did not vest on May

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5, 2010.

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