### STAFFORD JOHN S III Form 3 April 28, 2009 FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 OMB approval

#### INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> STAFFORD JOHN S III				2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AWARE INC /MA/ [AWRE]				
	(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	04/24/2009		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
230 S. LASALLE STREET, SUITE 400				(Check all applicable)					
		(Street)				DirectorX10% Owner OfficerOther (give title below) (specify below)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting
CHICAGO, IL 60604-1408								Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<b>r</b>	Table I - N	Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)				2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	Owne	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
Common Stock			2,100,598		D	Â			
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 Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		Title	Security	Direct (D)	

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		Shares	(Instr. 5)

# **Reporting Owners**

<b>Reporting Owner Name / Address</b>	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
STAFFORD JOHN S III 230 S. LASALLE STREET SUITE 400 CHICAGO, IL 60604-1408	Â	ÂX	Â	Â		
Signatures						
/s/ John S. Stafford, III 04/2	28/2009					
**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).

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