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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LEE DAVID ASHLEY</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>ARTIVION, INC.</u> <u>1655 ROBERTS BLVD, NW</u> (Street) <u>KENNESAW</u> <u>GA</u> <u>30144</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ARTIVION, INC. [AORT]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Executive VP, COO & CFO</u>	
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/17/2022</u>		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/17/2022	02/17/2022	A		8,574 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$0	283,699	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2022	02/17/2022	F		1,291 ⁽²⁾	D	\$17.5	282,408	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2022	02/17/2022	A		3,973 ⁽³⁾	A	\$0	286,381	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2022	02/17/2022	F		1,223 ⁽²⁾	D	\$17.5	285,158	D	
Common Stock								22,560	I	*Indirectsharesowned bySpouse(5,000),Shares toDAL Trust(17,560)

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 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)
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents performance stock units granted on Feb 17, 2021. Fifty percent (50%) were issued on Feb 17, 2022. The remaining shares earned in connection with the Feb 2021 grant will be eligible to vest and be issued as follows: 25% on 02/17/2023, and 25% on 02/17/2024, assuming continued employment on the relevant vesting date.
2. These shares were withheld upon the vesting of performance stock units to pay tax withholding obligations.
3. Represents performance stock units granted on Feb 17, 2021. Hundred percent (100%) were issued on Feb 17, 2022.

/s/ David Ashley Lee

02/22/2022

** 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).

** 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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