Instruction 1(b)

FORM 4

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] Kathiresan Sekar | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Verve Therapeutics, Inc. [VERV] | | | | | (Ch | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | |
| Kaumosan Sekar | | | | | | | | | | | Director | 10% | 6 Owner | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/28/2024 | | | | | [| Officer (give titl below) | belo | , | | |
| C/O VERVE THERAPEUTICS, INC. | | | | | | | | | | | Chief Ex | ecutive Office | r | |
| 201 BROOKLINE AVENUE, SUITE 601 | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | |
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| (Street) BOSTON MA 02215 | | | | | | | | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Date | | | 2. Transact Date (Month/Day | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a 5) | | | | 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 | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (1150.4) | |
| Common Stock 06/28/2 | | | 024 | | М | | 30,000 | Α | \$2.87 | 351,128 ⁽¹⁾ | D | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | | 240,997 | I | Kathiresan Family 2021 Irrevocable Trust | | |

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 1. Title of Derivative 3A. Deemed Execution Date, 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date 3. Transaction 5. Number 7. Title and Amount 8. Price of 9. Number of 10. 11. Nature Conversion Transaction Code (Instr. Derivative Ownership Date (Month/Day/Year) of Securities derivative of Indirect Beneficial Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) if any (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Security (Instr. 3) or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) Security (Instr. 5) Securities Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative 8) Securities Beneficially Ownership Acquired (A) or Disposed Owned Following Reported (Instr. 4) Security of (D) (Instr 3, 4 and 5) nsaction(s) Tra (Instr. 4) Amount or Number Date Expiration Date v (D) Code (A) Exercisable Title of Shares Stock Option (right to Commoi \$2.87 06/28/2024 Μ 30,000 09/15/2030 30,000 \$<mark>0</mark> 215,308 D Stock buy) Sekar Stock Kathiresan 2022 Option Commor 160.000 \$2.87 (3) 09/15/2030 160.000 Т (right to buy) Stock Annuity Trust Sekar Stock Kathiresan Option Commor 200,000 \$2.87 (3) 09/15/2030 200,000 2023 I (right to Stock Annuity buy)

Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes 4,918 shares of the Company's common stock acquired under the Verve Therapeutics, Inc. Amended and Restated 2021 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

2. The remaining shares underlying this option, which was granted on September 16, 2020, vest in equal monthly installments until September 16, 2024.

3. The shares underlying the option were fully vested when transferred.

/s/ Andrew Ashe, as Attorneyin-Fact for Sekar Kathiresan

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

07/02/2024

Trust

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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