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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Mandell James			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol bluebird bio, Inc. [BLUE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner			
C/O BLUEBIRD BIO, INC., 60 BINNEY STREET		C., 60	09/10/2018	Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
CAMBRIDGE	, MA 02142	<u>!</u>	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (A) or		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)	
Common Stock	09/10/2018		S <u>(1)</u>	432	D	\$ 150.0579 (2)	1,568	D		
Common Stock	09/10/2018		S <u>(1)</u>	501	D	\$ 151.2209 (3)	1,067	D		
Common Stock	09/10/2018		S <u>(1)</u>	67	D	\$ 152.0015 (4)	1,000	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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amoun	it of	Derivative	Deriv
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Mandell James C/O BLUEBIRD BIO, INC. 60 BINNEY STREET CAMBRIDGE, MA 02142

X

Signatures

/s/ Jason F. Cole, Attorney-in-Fact

09/12/2018

**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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on July 26, 2018.
- The range in prices for the transaction reported on this line was \$150.00 to \$150.125. The average weighted price was \$150.0579. The reporting person will provide, upon request by the SEC, the issuer or security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- The range in prices for the transaction reported on this line was \$151.10 to \$151.70. The average weighted price was \$151.2209. The reporting person will provide, upon request by the SEC, the issuer or security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

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Reporting Owners 2

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The range in prices for the transaction reported on this line was \$152.00 to \$152.05. The average weighted price was \$152.0015. The reporting person will provide, upon request by the SEC, the issuer or security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

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