Capponi Vincent Form 4 March 19, 2018

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Capponi Vincent

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

Cytosorbents Corp [CTSO]

(Check all applicable)

C/O CYTOSORBENTS

(First)

(Middle)

CORPORATION, 7 DEER PARK DRIVE, SUITE K

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2018

10% Owner Director X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

Chief Operating Officer

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting

MONMOUTH JUNCTION, NJ 08852

> (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) or Amount (D)

Code V Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common 10,100 03/15/2018 \$0 317,551 (2) D A (1) Stock

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Transaction(s)

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	of	6. Date Exercisable and		7. Title and Amount of	
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactiorDerivative		Expiration Date		Underlying Securities		
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A	A) or				
	Derivative				Disposed of	(D)				
	Security				(Instr. 3, 4, a	and				
					5)					
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.9	03/15/2018		A	110,350		<u>(3)</u>	03/15/2028	Common Stock	110,350

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

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 03/19/2018

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) These shares represent restricted stock units ("RSUs") that will be settled into common stock upon vesting upon a "Change In Control" of CytoSorbents Corporation (the "Company"), as defined in the CytoSorbents Corporation 2014 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan").
 - CytoSorbents Corporation (the "Company"), as defined in the CytoSorbents Corporation 2014 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan").

 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, (b) 7,667 of the RSUs granted on June 7, 2016 and unvested as of the date hereof and (c) 38,000 RSUs granted on February 28, 2018 and (iii) 52,904 shares of common stock owned by the reporting person.
- (3) Such options were granted pursuant to the Plan, and shall vest upon achievement of certain performance goals as determined in the discretion of the Board of Directors of the Company.

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