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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan for the purchase or sale of equity securities of the issuer that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>DALE MICHAEL D</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle)  <u>13631 PROGRESS BLVD.,</u> <u>SUITE 400</u>  (Street)  <u>ALACHUA FL 32615</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Axogen, Inc. [ AXGN ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  X Chief Executive Officer
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/26/2026</u>	
	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			

**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)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	02/26/2026	02/26/2026	A		98,000		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	\$0	98,000	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Axogen, Inc. common stock.
- All shares of Axogen Inc. common stock underlying the restricted stock units will be fully vested on February 26, 2030 (4 years from the grant date) based upon a vesting schedule whereby 50% of the aggregate shares vest on February 26, 2028 (24 months from the grant date) and an additional 25% of the aggregate shares vest each 12 months thereafter. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person upon the vesting date.

**Remarks:**

/s/ Mark Began, as attorney-in-fact 02/27/2026  
for Michael Dale

\*\* 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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