FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* POWER JOHANNA MESSINA						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]									Check all ap Dire V Offi	pplicable) ector cer (give title	Other	Owner (specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/01/2006										2 belo	VP & Controller			
130 WAVERLY STREET (Street)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person				
CAMBRIDGE MA 02139 (City) (State) (Zip)																Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						Execution		n Date,	Code (Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			nd Secu Bene	ficially ed Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
										v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Trans	saction(s) . 3 and 4)		(IIISU. 4)	
Common Stock 11/01/					/2006	2006			S ⁽¹⁾		300		D	\$40	.31	5,597	D		
Common Stock																2,878	I	401(k)	
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
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Explanation of Responses:

1. Transaction made pursuant to Ms. Messina-Power's company approved trading plan established under Rule 10b5-1.

Remarks:

Kenneth S. Boger, Attorney-In-Fact 11/02/2006

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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