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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* SMITH IAN F							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]								5. Relationship of Reportin (Check all applicable) Director • Officer (give title			g Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/29/2018									X Officer (give title Offier (specify below) EVP, COO				
50 NORTHERN AVENUE (Street) BOSTON MA 02210 (City) (State) (Zip)					4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable) Compared to the proof of the pr				
		Tab	le I - N	Non-Deri	vativ	e Sec	urit	ties A	cquire	ed, D	isposed o	f, or B	enefic	ially	Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D						Exec if any	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			Benefici Owned I		es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 06/29/20:							8		M		23,375	A	\$131	.89	70	0,074		D	
Common Stock 06/29/201						8		S ⁽¹⁾		4,741	D	\$165.2	2 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	65	65,333		D		
Common Stock 06/29/201					2018	.8		S ⁽¹⁾		18,634	D	\$166.5	7(3)(4)	46,699			D		
Common Stock														5,306			Ι .	401(k)	
		7	Table I								posed of,				wned				
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. Transa Code (8)	5. Number ction of		Expira	e Exer ation D h/Day/		7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		D	Price of erivative ecurity estr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Ow For Dir or I (I) (10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	isable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	ber					
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$131.89	06/29/2018			M			23,375	(!	5)	07/20/2025	Common Stock	23,3	75	\$0.00	10,625		D	

Explanation of Responses:

- $1.\ Transaction\ made\ pursuant\ to\ Mr.\ Smith's\ company-approved\ trading\ plan\ under\ Rule\ 10b5-1.$
- 2. Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$165.22 (range \$165.00 to \$165.89).
- 3. Mr. Smith undertakes to provide (upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer) full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- 4. Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$166.57 (range \$166.38 to \$166.67).
- 5. The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 7/21/2015.

Remarks:

/s/ Stephen Migausky, Attorney-in-Fact 07/03/2018

** 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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