FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  MUELLER PETER					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC /								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
				MA [ VRTX ]								X	Officer ( below)	(give title Other		10% Ow Other (s below)	-		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/24/2008									EVP Drug Innov.& Realiz, CSO					
130 WAVERLY STREET					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
(Street) CAMBRIDGE MA 02139												X	Form fil	led by More	•	rting Person One Report			
(City)	(\$	State)	(Zip)											Person					
		Tal	ble I - Nor	n-Deriva	ative	Securitie	s Ac	quire	d, Dis	sposed o	f, or Be	neficia	lly (	Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D					Executio ) if any	2A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Yea		Code (Instr.					4 and Securitie Benefici Owned F		Form:	: Direct   I r Indirect   I str. 4)   (	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Dat if any (Month/Day/Yo	Code (In				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		D	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Co	ode V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	er						
Stock Options	\$32.16	07/24/2008		A	A	36,250		10/24/2	008 <sup>(1)</sup>	07/23/2018	Common Stock	36,25	0	\$0	36,250	)	D		

## Explanation of Responses:

1. Right to buy under 2006 Stock and Option Plan, vesting in 16 equal quarterly installments from 07/24/2008.

## Remarks:

Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-

07/25/2008

<u>In-Fact</u>

\*\* 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).
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