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 / MA [VRTX]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner V Officer (give title Other (specify				
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED 130 WAVERLY STREET				07	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/20/2006							CSO&EVP Drug Innov&Realization				
(Street) CAMBRIDGE MA 02139 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						Line	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D					saction ZA. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code (Inst	n Disposed	ities Acquired (A) o d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a (A) or (D)		Securitie Beneficia Owned F Reported Transact	5. Amount of Securities Forr Beneficially (D) (C) (I) (II) Reported Transaction(S) (Instr. 3 and 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Table II - De (e.					uired, Disp , options,				Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	cise (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Yea	Code (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)		Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option	\$35.35	07/20/2006		A		36,250		10/20/2006 ⁽¹⁾	07/19/2016	Common Stock	36,250	\$0	410,550	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Right to buy under 2006 Stock and Option Plan, vesting in 16 equal quarterly installments from 07/20/2006.

Remarks:

Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-

07/24/2006

In-Fact
** 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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