FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* MUELLER PETER					VI	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]								neck a	all applic	cable)	ig Per	son(s) to Iss 10% Ov Other (s	wner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED 130 WAVERLY STREET					11/	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/17/2008 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP Drug Innov.& Realiz, CSO 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street) CAMBRIDGE MA 02139				- -	Jacob Signal installed (installed)									Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																	
		Tab	le I - N	lon-Deri	vative	Sec	uriti	ies Ad	cquire	d, D	isposed o	of, or B	eneficia	lly C	Owned	I				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transactic Date (Month/Day/					Execution		Date,			4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 ar			Benefic Owned		es ially 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 11/17/20					2008)8			M	M 2,400 A \$		\$9.07	7 88,790		,790		D			
Common Stock 11/17/200					2008)8		S ⁽¹⁾		2,400	D	\$27.14(2	14 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾ 86		5,390		D			
Common Stock															3,460		I	401(k)		
		7	able I								posed of , converti			y Ov	vned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	r) if any	emed ion Date, /Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		Der Sec	Price of erivative ecurity 1str. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares							
Stock	\$9.07	11/17/2008			M			2,400	(4))	12/10/2013	Common	2.400		\$0	4,800		D		

Explanation of Responses:

- $1.\ Transaction\ made\ pursuant\ to\ Dr.\ Mueller's\ company\ approved\ trading\ plan\ under\ Rule\ 10b5-1.$
- 2. Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$27.14 (range \$26.85 to \$27.49).
- 3. Dr. Mueller 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. Fully vested.

Remarks:

Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-

** Signature of Reporting Person

In-Fact

<u>11/19/2008</u>

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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