FORM 4

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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* Silva Paul M				VE	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]									Check	all app Dired	olicable)		Issuer Owner r (specify	
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C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/09/2009										۷.1	. and Corp	orate Control	iei	
130 WAVERLY STREET				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)				Execution Date		n Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)				nd	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	. 1	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(11311.4)
Common Stock			02/09	/2009				S	250(1			D \$33.		.69	9 55,500		D		
Common	Stock																457	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 Mr. Silva's company approved trading plan established under Rule 10b5-1.

Remarks:

Kenneth S. Boger, Attorney-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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