FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name an | VEF | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX] | | | | | | | | | | all app | olicable) | g Person(s) to 10% Other | wner (specify | | | | | |
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| INCORP | ORATED | RMACEUTICA | Middle) LS | | 3. Dat 05/13 | | | t Transa | action (M | tion (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | below) below) EVP Drug Innov.& Realiz, CSO | | | | |
| 130 WAVERLY STREET (Street) CAMBRIDGE MA 02139 | | | | | 4. If A | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| (City) | (St | | Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Tra | | | | 2. Transa Date | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, | | Transaction Disposed Of (D) Code (Instr. 5) | | | Acquired (A) or | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | | |
| | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | | (A) or (D) Pr | | е | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | (Instr. 4) | | | |
| Common | Stock | | | 05/13 | 3/2008 | | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 100 | | D | \$ | 27 | 8 | 7,831 | D | | |
| Common | Stock | | | 05/13/2008 | | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 300 | | D | \$27.01 | | 87,531 | | D | | | |
| Common | Stock | | | 05/13/2008 | | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 34 | | D | \$2 | \$27.03 | | 7,497 | D | | | |
| Common | Stock | | | 05/13 | 05/13/2008 | | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 105 | | D | \$27.04 | | 87,392 | | D | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 05/13/2008 | | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 102 | | D | \$27.05 | | 87,290 | | D | | |
| Common Stock 05/13 | | | | | 3/2008 | | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 100 | | D | \$27.09 | | 87,190 | | D | | |
| Common Stock 05/13/ | | | | | | L | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 200 | | D | \$27.11 | | 86,990 | | D | | |
| Common Stock 05/13/2 | | | | | ′2008 | | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 100 | | D | \$27.15 | | 86,890 | | D | | |
| Common Stock 05/13/ | | | | | 3/2008 | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 100 | | D | \$27.16 | | 86,790 | | D | | | |
| Common Stock 05/13/ | | | | | 3/2008 | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 200 | | D | \$2 | \$27.19 | | 6,590 | D | | | |
| Common Stock 05/13/ | | | | | | /2008 | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 200 | | D | \$27.37 | | 86,390 | | D | | |
| Common | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3,460 | I | 401(k) | | | | |
| | | Та | able II - I) | | | | | | | | sed of, onvertib | | | | | wned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da | ed Date, | 4. Transacti Code (Ins 8) | 5. Number | | mber ative rities ired osed | Date Exercis Expiration Date Month/Day/Ye | | able and | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ins and 4) | | | 8. Pi Deri Seci | Price of erivative ecurity estr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| Explanation of Responses: | | | | | Code V | , | (A) | | or Nui Date Expiration of | | | mber ares | | | | | | | | |

1. Transaction made pursuant to Dr. Mueller's company approved trading plan established under Rule 10b5-1.

Remarks:

Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-

05/15/2008

In-Fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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