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* SMITH IAN F					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC /								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
				<u>N</u>	MA [VRTX]								Officer (give title below)			Other (specify below)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/12/2007								EVP & CFO					
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		02139										X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(5	State)	(Zip)															
		Tal	ole I - Non-I	Derivativ	ve Se	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed of	f, or Ber	neficial	y Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D					Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year		, Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		Disposed	ities Acquired (A) o d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a		Beneficia Owned F	es Forr ally (D) (Following (I) (I		Direct II Indirect E tr. 4) C	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)	
			Table II - De	erivative .g., puts									Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	action (Instr.			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)	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)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock Option	\$28.84	07/12/2007		A		36,250		10/12/200	7 ⁽¹⁾	07/11/2017	Common Stock	36,250	\$0	36,250		D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Right to buy under 2006 Stock and Option Plan, vesting in 16 equal quarterly installments from 07/12/2007.

Remarks:

Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-

07/16/2007

<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.

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