Stock Option (Right to Buy)

\$131.89

07/21/2017

FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Arbuckle Stuart A</u>				V	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> 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					
1		irst) RMACEUTICA	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/19/2017								helow)	below)  EVP\Chief Commercial Officer				
50 NORTHERN AVENUE					4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								ndividual or	Joint/Group	Filing	(Check Ap	plicable
(Street)	Street) BOSTON MA 02210												e) X Form f					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)		_									. 0.00.	•			
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Dat			Date	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)					5) Securiti Benefici	urities eficially ed Following		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			,
Common	Stock			07/1	19/2017				M		25,500	) A	\$96.8	150	6,967		D	
Common Stock			07/19/2017		7			M		38,250	) A	\$109.	14 195	195,217		D		
Common	Common Stock		07/19/2017		7			M		14,875	5 A	\$131.	89 210	10,092		D		
Common Stock			07/19/2017		7	<u> </u>		M		10,775	_	\$91.0				D		
Common Stock				07/19/2017				S <sup>(1)</sup>		60,400	_	\$16		160,467		D		
Common Stock			07/19/2017		-			S <sup>(1)</sup>		29,000	_	\$162.		131,467		D		
Common Stock			07/21/2017		-			M -(1)		2,125	_	\$131.		133,592		D		
Common Stock		07/21/2017		-			S <sup>(1)</sup>		2,125	_	\$159			D D				
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					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$96.87	07/19/2017			M			25,500	(2)		07/14/2024	Common Stock	25,500	\$0.00	8,500	)	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$109.14	07/19/2017			M			38,250	(3)		02/02/2025	Common Stock	38,250	\$0.00	38,250	0	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$131.89	07/19/2017			M			14,875	(4)		07/20/2025	Common Stock	14,875	\$0.00	19,12	5	D	
Stock Option (Right to	\$91.05	07/19/2017			M			10,775	(5)		02/01/2026	Common Stock	10,775	\$0.00	23,70	7	D	

(4)

2,125

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Common

Stock

07/20/2025

2,125

\$0.00

17,000

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## **Explanation of Responses:**

- $1.\ Transaction\ made\ pursuant\ to\ Mr.\ Arbuckle's\ company-approved\ trading\ plan\ under\ Rule\ 10b5-1.$
- 2. The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 07/15/2014.
- 3. The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 02/03/2015.
- 4. The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 07/21/2015.
- 5. The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 02/02/2016.

## Remarks:

Omar White, Attorney-In-Fact 07/21/2017

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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