## FORM 4

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> Lewis-Hall Freda C			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [ VRTX ]	(Check	tionship of Reporting Persor all applicable) Director Officer (give title	n(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify	
INCORPORATE		(Middle) ALS	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/10/2008	X	below) EVP, Medicines Deve	below)	
130 WAVERLY (Street) CAMBRIDGE (City)	MA (State)	02139 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Filing (( Form filed by One Reporti Form filed by More than C Person	ng Person	

### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			ction Instr.	4. Securities Disposed Of 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)			,			(I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(11341.4)
Common Stock	12/10/2008		<b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		152	D	\$26	44,848	D	
Common Stock	12/11/2008		<b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		1,098	D	\$26	43,750	D	

#### Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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)	4. Transa Code ( 8)		5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	vative rities ired r osed ) . 3, 4	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	ate	7. Title Amour Securi Underi Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ties lying tive ty (Instr. 3	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)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

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

#### **Remarks:**

Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-12/12/2008

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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