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	VE	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]									all app Direc	olicable)	g Person(s) to Is 10% O Other (wner				
(Last) C/O VER INCORP		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/18/2009									X Officer (give title Other below) EVP & CFO								
130 WAVERLY STREET (Street) CAMBRIDGE MA 02139 (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								5. Indiv _ine) X	ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Y						Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Disposed Of					nd 5) Secui Bene		icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
					Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Trans	ransaction(s) nstr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)				
Common	009)9		S ⁽¹⁾		925	D	\$28.44	4 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾	ϵ	51,035	D							
Common Stock																4,421	I		401(k)
		Та	ıble II								osed of, convertib				vned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	tive Conversion Date Execution or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			on Date, Transa Code (I				vative irities ired r osed)	6. Date Expira (Month	tion D		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)				9. Number o derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Owne Form Direct or Ind (I) (Ins	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerci	sable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares						

Explanation of Responses:

- $1.\ Transaction\ made\ pursuant\ to\ Mr.\ Smith's\ company\ approved\ trading\ plan\ established\ under\ Rule\ 10b5-1.$
- $2. Open \ market \ sales \ reported \ on \ this \ line \ occurred \ at \ a \ weighted \ average \ price \ of \ \$28.44 \ (range \ \$28.12 \ to \ \$28.95).$
- 3. Mr. Smith undertakes to provide (upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer) full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

Remarks:

<u>Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-</u> <u>In-Fact</u>

05/19/2009

** 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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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