FORM 4

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHI

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1. Name an	VI	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]								5. Relationship of Reporting (Check all applicable) Director Officer (give title			10% (ssuer Owner (specify				
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/15/2017								X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, CFO & COO				
50 NORTHERN AVENUE						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
(Street) BOSTON MA 02210														X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(St	ate) (.	Zip)															
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye					Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		te,				Acquired (A) or D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		Beneficially		ities ficially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	т		action(s) 3 and 4)		(111511.4)
Common Stock 05/15/201					17	7			S ⁽¹⁾		294	D	\$114.92	.92(2)(3)		26,238	D	
Common Stock																5,306	I	401(k)
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Derivative Conversion Date Executity Or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if an		Execu	eemed ution Date, th/Day/Year)	ion Date, Transact Code (In		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Exercisable Expiration Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		8. Pri Deriv Secu (Insti	ative rity	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Transaction made pursuant to Mr. Smith's company approved trading plan under Rule 10b5-1.
- 2. Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$114.92 (range \$114.37 to \$115.21).
- 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:

Omar White, Attorney-In-Fact 05/17/2017

** 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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