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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC /	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
<u>LEIDEN JEFFREY M</u>			MA [VRTX]	X	Director	10% Owner			
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)		Х	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/06/2019	CEO & President					
50 NORTHERN AVENUE			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street)				X	Form filed by One Report	ing Person			
BOSTON	MA	02210			Form filed by More than C Person	One Reporting			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr.					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (notr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or Price		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/06/2019		A		53,816 ⁽¹⁾	Α	\$0.00	178,681	D	
Common Stock	02/06/2019		A		31,498 ⁽²⁾	Α	\$0.00	210,179	D	
Common Stock	02/06/2019		A		28,444 ⁽³⁾	Α	\$0.00	238,623	D	
Common Stock								140	I	401(k)

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)		of E		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)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$187.53	02/06/2019		A		72,647		(4)	02/05/2029	Common Stock	72,647	\$0.00	72,647	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents earned performance shares with respect to a performance stock unit award granted on 2/2/2016 that contained performance-vesting requirements. The issuer's management development and compensation committee certified as to the level of performance-goal attainment on 02/6/2019 and the shares will vest on 2/10/2019.

2. Represents earned performance shares with respect to a performance stock unit award granted on 2/3/2018 that contained performance-vesting requirements. The issuer's management development and compensation committee certified as to the level of performance-goal attainment on 02/6/2019. The earned performance shares will vest in installments beginning on 2/17/2019.

3. Restricted stock unit award that vests in installments beginning on 2/24/2020.

4. The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 02/6/2019.

Remarks:

/s/ Omar White, Attorney-in-

Fact

02/08/2019

** 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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