FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940.

1. Name and Addr Silva Paul M		Person* (Middle)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC /  MA [ VRTX ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/17/2019	SVP & Corp Controller
50 NORTHERN AVENUE  (Street)  BOSTON MA 02210		02210	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	curity (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  2. Transaction Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)  3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4)				6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/17/2019		M		1,289	A	\$91.05	17,376	D	
Common Stock	01/17/2019		S <sup>(1)</sup>		1,289	D	\$191.05	16,087	D	
Common Stock	01/17/2019		M		859	A	\$90.29	16,946	D	
Common Stock	01/17/2019		S <sup>(1)</sup>		859	D	\$190.29	16,087	D	
Common Stock	01/17/2019		M		859	A	\$90.29	16,946	D	
Common Stock	01/17/2019		S <sup>(1)</sup>		859	D	\$190.29	16,087	D	
Common Stock								169	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 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed Execution Date 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date 7. Title and Amount of 8. Price of Derivative 9. Number of 11. Nature of Indirect Conversion Transaction Ownership derivative (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Security or Exercise Code (Instr. (Month/Day/Year) Securities Security Securities Form: Beneficial (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) 8) Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 5) Beneficially Direct (D) Ownership Acquired (A) or Disposed Derivative Owned or Indirect (Instr. 4) Following Security (Instr. 3 and 4) (I) (Instr. 4) Reported of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) and 5) Amount Number Date Expiration Date ν (A) (D) Exercisable Title Option (Right to Common 01/17/2019 \$91.05 М 1.289 (2) 02/01/2026 1,289 \$0.00 6,446 D Stock Buy) Stock Option (Right to Common \$90.29 01/17/2019 859 (3) 07/11/2026 859 \$0.00 6,016 D Stock Buy)

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## **Explanation of Responses:**

\$90.29

- 1. Transaction made pursuant to Mr. Silva's company approved trading plan under Rule 10b5-1.
- 2. The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 02/02/2016.

01/17/2019

3. The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 07/12/2016.

### Remarks:

Stock Option

(Right to Buy)

/s/ Omar White, Attorney-in-

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\$0.00

<u>Fact</u>

Common Stock

07/11/2026

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

01/18/2019

5,157

D

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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