FORM 4

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* SANDERS CHARLES A						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]									(Che	eck all appli Direct	cable) or	g Pers	son(s) to Iss	vner	
(Last)	`	,	(Middle)		3 [2. Data of Farliant Transaction (Month/Day/Man)										Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	specify	
C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/01/2006															
130 WAVERLY STREET							4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street)	IDGE M	Ā	02139											2	_	iled by Mor	•	orting Perso One Repo	- 1		
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																		
		Tab	le I - Nor	n-Deriv	ativ	e Se	curit	ies A	cqı	uired,	Dis	posed o	f, or E	ene	eficiall	y Owne	ł				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transc Date (Month/E					ear) i	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		·	Transaction Code (Instr. 5		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			(A) or 3, 4 and	5. Amou Securiti Benefic Owned Reporte	ies Fo ially (D) Following (I)		n: Direct r Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
										Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)		Price	Transac	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(1113411 4)	
Comon Stock				12/01	1/2006					M		3,000	I	A	\$13.2	29,000		D			
Common Stock 12/01				L/200	6				S ⁽¹⁾		3,000 D)	\$43.8	6 26,000			D			
	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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transactior Code (Instr. B)				6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year				7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s ally	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Da: Exc	te ercisable		Expiration Date	Title	N O	Amount or Jumber of Shares						
Stock Option	\$13.23	12/01/2006			M			3,000	12/	/12/1996	(2)	2/11/2006	Commo		3,000	\$0	114,00	00	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- $1.\ Transaction\ made\ pursuant\ to\ Dr.\ Sanders'\ company\ approved\ trading\ plan\ established\ under\ Rule\ 10b5-1.$
- 2. Right to buy under 1994 Stock and Option Plan. Fully vested.

Remarks:

Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-

In-Fact

12/04/2006 ** 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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