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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

nt to Section 16(a) of the Securities Excha an Act of 1024

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	~~/		or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940	-	<u></u>	
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] Arbuckle Stuart A (Last) (First) (Middle)		Person [*] (Middle)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]		ationship of Reporting Pe k all applicable) Director Officer (give title below)	10% Owner Other (specify below)
C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/05/2018		EVP\Chief Comm	ercial Officer
50 NORTHE	RN AVENUE		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	vidual or Joint/Group Fili	ng (Check Applicable
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(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)	3. Transa Code (8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/05/2018		М		4,250	Α	\$77.31	46,202	D	
Common Stock	02/05/2018		М		4,250	A	\$109.14	50,452	D	
Common Stock	02/05/2018		S ⁽¹⁾		8,500	D	\$163.08	41,952	D	
Common Stock								140	Ι	401(k)

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

	(cigi, puto, builo, martano, optiono, contentible 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 Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		n of 🛛		6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/\	ate	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)	\$77.31	02/05/2018		М			4,250	(2)	02/04/2024	Common Stock	4,250	\$0.00	0	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$109.14	02/05/2018		М			4,250	(3)	02/02/2025	Common Stock	4,250	\$0.00	17,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Transaction made pursuant to Mr. Arbuckle's company-approved trading plan under Rule 10b5-1.

2. Fully vested.

3. The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 2/3/2015.

Remarks:

/s/ Omar White, Attorney-in-

<u>Fact</u>

02/07/2018

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

 \ast 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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