FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addres SACHS BRU	s of Reporting Person	1*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC /	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
			MA [VRTX]	X	Director	10% Owner			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)			Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
C/O VERTEX PI INCORPORATE	HARMACEUTIC D	ALS	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/14/2005						
130 WAVERLY	STREET		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	idual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable			
(Street)				X	Form filed by One Report	ing Person			
CAMBRIDGE	MA	02139			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.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities Beneficially	Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/14/2005		G		38,487(1)	D	\$ <mark>0</mark>	64,000	D	

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		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		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				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Common stock gifted to the Water Cove Charitable Foundation.

Remarks:

Kenneth S. Boger, Attorney-In-12/15/2005

** 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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