FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SACHS BRUCE I				$ \underline{\mathbf{v}} $	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]							ck all applic	•	10% Ov	ner
INCORP	O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS CORPORATED				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/01/2005							Officer below)	(give title	Other (s below)	pecify
130 WAVERLY STREET (Street) CAMBRIDGE MA 02139				4.	If Ame	ndment, I	Date o	of Original File	d (Month/Day	//Year)	Line	Form fil	oint/Group Filin ed by One Rep ed by More tha	orting Persor	ı
(City)	(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned														
Date			Transaction te onth/Day/Y	Execution Date,		Code (Insti	n Disposed	rities Acquired (A) ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		Securitie Beneficia Owned F Reported Transacti	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (I) (Ir Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
	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	Date Execution D (Month/Day/Year) if any	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year	Date, Transaction Code (Instr.		of		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	\$13.32	06/01/2005		A		10,000		06/01/2005 ⁽¹⁾	05/31/2015	Common Stock	10,000	\$0	100,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Right to buy under 1996 Stock and Option Plan. Fully vested.

Remarks:

Kenneth S. Boger, Attorney-In-**Fact**

06/03/2005

** 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).
- ** 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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