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VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA Form 4 February 11, 2008 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Sachdev Amit Issuer Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS (Check all applicable) INC / MA [VRTX] 10% Owner (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director X_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) C/O VERTEX 02/07/2008 SVP, Public Policy, Gov Affairs PHARMACEUTICALS **INCORPORATED, 130 WAVERLY** STREET (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Form: Direct Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial anv (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Price Code V Amount (D) 10,166 Common \$ 02/07/2008 A A 28,166 D (1) 0.01 Stock Common 77 Ι 401(k) Stock

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

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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 Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and - | Securities |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|--------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Share |
| Stock Option | \$ 18.93 | 02/07/2008 | | А | 76,250 | 05/07/2008(2) | 02/06/2018 | Common Stock | 76,250 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---|------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| | | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| Sachdev Amit C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED 130 WAVERLY STREET CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139 | | | | SVP, Public Policy,Gov Affairs | | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | | |
| Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-In-Fact | 02/11/2008 | | | | | | | |
| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date | | | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Stock grant made under 2006 Stock and Option Plan, vesting on 2/7/2012, subject to acceleration upon achievement of certain performance-based milestones.
- (2) Right to buy under 2006 Stock and Option Plan, vesting in 16 equal quarterly installments from 02/07/2008, subject to shareholder approval.

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