

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>BOGER JOSHUA S</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED</u> <u>130 WAVERLY STREET</u>  (Street) <u>CAMBRIDGE MA 02139</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [ VRTX ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <b>President &amp; CEO</b>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/03/2008</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	
		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	12/03/2008		M		12,000	A	\$13.63	1,107,044	D	
Common Stock	12/03/2008		S <sup>(1)</sup>		3,500	D	\$22.12 <sup>(2)(5)</sup>	1,103,544	D	
Common Stock	12/03/2008		S <sup>(1)</sup>		8,200	D	\$22.96 <sup>(3)(5)</sup>	1,095,344	D	
Common Stock	12/03/2008		S <sup>(1)</sup>		300	D	\$23.48 <sup>(4)(5)</sup>	1,095,044	D	
Common Stock								12,445	I	401(k)
Common Stock								207,500	I	Shares in trust <sup>(6)</sup>

**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$13.63	12/03/2008		M		12,000	(7)	12/09/2008	Common Stock	12,000	\$0	0	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Transaction for sales of common stock made pursuant to Dr. Boger's company approved trading plan established under Rule 10b5-1.
- Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$22.12 (range \$21.43 to \$22.39).
- Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$22.96 (range \$22.45 to \$23.43).
- Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$23.48 (range \$23.44 to \$23.51).
- Dr. Boger undertakes to provide (upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer) full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- Shares held in trust for Dr. Boger's children. Dr. Boger disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.
- Fully vested.

**Remarks:**

Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-In-Fact 12/04/2008

\*\* 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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