

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Hartmann Victor A</u> <hr/> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS</u> <u>INCORPORATED</u> <u>130 WAVERLY STREET</u> <hr/> (Street) <u>CAMBRIDGE MA</u> <u>02139</u> <hr/> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/15/2005</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]</u> <hr/> 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>EVP, Strategic & Corp. Devlp.</u>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) <hr/> 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>70,000⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>D</u>	

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
<u>Stock Option</u>	<u>05/15/2005</u>	<u>02/14/2015</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>150,000⁽²⁾</u>	<u>11.4</u>	<u>D</u>	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Stock grant made under 1996 Stock and Option Plan, vesting as to 20,000 shares on 2/15/2006; as to an additional 25,000 shares on 2/15/2008; and as to the remaining 25,000 shares on 2/15/2010, all subject to acceleration upon achievement of a performance-based milestone based on Company profitability.
2. Right to buy under 1996 Stock and Option Plan, vesting in 20 equal quarterly installments from 2/15/2005.

Remarks:

Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-in-Fact 02/22/2005

** 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 5 (b)(v).

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