FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Thomsen Jillian B.						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS [ NKTR ]								eck all applic Directo	cable)	oorting Person(s) to Issue 10% Own title Other (sp		ner
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS 455 MISSION BAY BOULEVARD SOUTH						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/20/2017								SVP & Chief Accounting Officer				
(Street) SAN FRANCISCO CA 94158  (City) (State) (Zip)					4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  E)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
				on-Deri	vativ	e Se	curit	ies Ac	auired.	Dis	sposed o	f. or Be	neficial	ly Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Day					action	on 2A. Deeme			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		(A) or	5. Amou Securitie Benefici Owned I	nt of es ally Following	Form	: Direct   C Indirect   E str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(instr. 4)
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup> 03/20/2						017			М		75,000	A	\$11.3	4 130,	130,637(2)		D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup> 03/20/2						017			М		37,500	A	\$7.21	168,137(2)			D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup> 03/20/2					/2017	017		S		112,500	D	\$19.69	(3) 55,0	637 <sup>(2)</sup>		D		
		-	Table II								osed of, convertil			Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Executio if any (Month/D	n Date,		Transaction Code (Instr.		n of		6. Date Exercisabl Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		of Securities		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	e S Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisal	ble	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option <sup>(1)</sup>	\$11.34	03/20/2017			M			75,000	02/01/20	14	01/31/2018	Common Stock	75,000	\$0.00	0		D	
Stock	\$7.21	03/20/2017			M			37,500	02/08/20	16	02/07/2020	Common	37,500	\$0.00	0		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. This transaction was made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- 2. This number includes 988 shares held by the reporting person in the Issuer's 401(K) plan and 2,750 shares held by the reporting person in the Issuer's ESPP plan. The acquisition of these shares under both plans is exempt under Rule 16b-3(c).
- 3. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$19.50 to \$20.14. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide full information regarding the number of shares and the prices at which the transactions were effected upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer.

## Remarks:

Mark A. Wilson, Attorney-in-**Fact** 

03/22/2017

\*\* 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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