Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LERNER IRWIN</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS [NKTR]							of Reporting Pe cable) r		rson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS 201 INDUSTRIAL ROAD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/19/2007							Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)				
(Street) SAN CARLOS CA 94070 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D					Execution Da			Code (Ins					s ally following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
							Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Da if any (Month/Day/Y	Cod	saction e (Instr.		ive ies ed ed ed nstr.	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. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transactie (Instr. 4)	e s Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Cod	e V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$8.81	09/19/2007		A		15,000		(2)	09/19/2015	Common Stock	15,000	\$8.81	180,00	00	D	
Restricted Stock Unit ⁽¹⁾	\$0.01	09/19/2007		A		5,000		(3)	(4)	Common Stock	5,000	\$0.01	10,00	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The Reporting Person is receiving this equity compensation under the Amended and Restated Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors.
- 2. 1/12th of the shares shall vest per calendar month following the date of grant with all of such shares vesting on September 19, 2008 provided that the Reporting Person continues his or her service as a director through such date.
- 3. The shares of common stock shall vest upon the one year anniversary of the date of grant (or September 19, 2008), provided that the Reporting Person continues his or her service as a director through such date and further subject to the terms and conditions of the restricted stock unit agreement.
- 4. Not applicable.

Gil M. Labrucherie, Attorneyin-Fact

09/21/2007

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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