FORM 4

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* Moreadith Randall W					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS [NKTR]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner						
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS 201 INDUSTRIAL ROAD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/11/2008								- X	X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) SVP Drug Development					
(Street) SAN CARLOS CA 94070 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line)	i. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
Date				2. Transa Date (Month/D	Execution Date,		Transaction Dispose Code (Instr.		ities Acquired (A) or d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and			5. Amoun Securities Beneficial Owned Fo	Form ly (D) or		n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
									Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				,iiisti. 4)	
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		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Cod	Transaction Code (Instr.		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 Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s	illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Cod	de V	(4	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		piration ate	Title	or Nun	ount mber Shares		(Instr. 4)			
Stock Option	\$4.83	08/11/2008		A		50	500,000		(1)	08	3/11/2016	Commo	500	0,000	\$4.83	500,00	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. 25% of the shares of common stock subject to the stock option shall vest on the one year anniversary of the grant date (or August 11, 2009), and the remaining shares of common stock subject to the stock option shall vest on a pro-rata monthly basis over three years following the one year anniversary of the grant date..

Gil M. Labrucherie - Attorney-

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** 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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