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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 Addre <u>Thomsen Jill</u> | ess of Reporting Person ian B. | ı* | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS</u> [NKTR] | (Check all ap Dire | ector icer (give title | 10% Owner Other (specify | , |
| | (First) ITHERAPEUTICS BAY BOULEVARI | (Middle) D SOUTH | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/15/2022 | - A belo | P & Chief Accou | below) Inting Officer | |
| (Street) SAN FRANCISCO | СА | 94158 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | Line) X For For | or Joint/Group Filing m filed by One Rep m filed by More tha rson | orting Person | 3 |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | | | | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transa Code (8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | 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 | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (1150.4) |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 08/15/2022 | | A | | 165,938 | Α | \$0.00 | 336,865 ⁽²⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/16/2022 | | S | | 2,006 ⁽³⁾ | D | \$4.76 ⁽⁴⁾ | 334,859 ⁽²⁾ | D | |

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. Transa Code (8) | | tion Derivative Exp | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | Derivative Securities Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) Derivative Security (Instr. 5) Derivative Securities (Instr. 5) of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Securities Securities | | Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | of Securities Underlying Derivative Security | | Derivative Security | Securities Beneficially Owned Following | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | | | | | | |
| Common Stock ⁽⁵⁾ | \$4.91 | 08/15/2022 | | Α | | 331,875 | | (6) | 08/14/2030 | Common Stock | 331,875 | \$0.00 | 331,875 | D | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Common stock was acquired pursuant to a grant of restricted stock units ("RSU"). Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive, upon vesting of the unit, one share of Common Stock of the Issuer. These RSUs were granted in connection with a retention program and the individual's recent promotion. This grant is in lieu of Issuer's usual end-of-year annual performance grants. These RSUs vest over three years from the date of grant in substantially equal quarterly installments based on continued service.

2. This number includes 988 shares held by the reporting person in the Issuer's 401(K) plan and 6,690 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. Represents the number of shares required to be sold by the reporting person to cover tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of the RSUs held by the reporting person. This sale is mandated by the Issuer's election under its equity incentive plans to require the satisfaction of tax withholding obligations to be funded by a "sell to cover" transaction and does not represent a discretionary trade by the reporting person.

4. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$4.67 to \$4.88. 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.

5. Stock options were granted in connection with a retention program and the individual's recent promotion. These stock options are in lieu of the Issuer's usual end-of-year annual performance grants.

6. Stock options vest over three years from the date of grant in substantially equal monthly installments based on continued service.

Remarks:

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Signature of Reporting Person

08/17/2022 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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