FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			or Section 30(n) of the investment Company Act of 1940				
1. Name and Addres	ss of Reporting Perso	n*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS [NKTR]		ationship of Reporting Per (all applicable) Director Officer (give title	rson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify	
(Last) 150 INDUSTRIA	(First) AL ROAD	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/07/2004		below) below) President Of Nektar AL		
(Street) SAN CARLOS (City)	CA (State)	94070 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	vidual or Joint/Group Filin Form filed by One Rep Form filed by More tha Person	oorting Person	

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(City)	(State)	(Zip)								Person		
		Table I - N	lon-Derivati	ve Securities /	Acquired	l, Dis	posed of,	or Ber	neficially	Owned		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/	Execution Date	Code	action (Instr.	4. Securities Disposed Of	Acquired f (D) (Instr	I (A) or . 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)		(111301.4)
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		1,250	D	\$14.61	975,695	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		1,250	D	\$14.64	974,445	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		1,250	D	\$14.67	973,195	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		1,750	D	\$14.7	971,445	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		300	D	\$14.71	971,145	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		400	D	\$14.72	970,745	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		50	D	\$14.73	970,695	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		1,650	D	\$14.75	969,045	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		450	D	\$14.76	968,595	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		400	D	\$14.77	968,195	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		2,050	D	\$14.8	966,145	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		200	D	\$14.81	965,945	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		150	D	\$14.82	965,795	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		100	D	\$14.821	965,695	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		1,250	D	\$14.85	964,445	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		2,153	D	\$14.87	962,292	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		200	D	\$14.871	962,092	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		50	D	\$14.88	962,042	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		2,450	D	\$14.9	959,592	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		50	D	\$14.93	959,542	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		3,250	D	\$15.02	956,292	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		350	D	\$15.03	955,942	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		100	D	\$15.031	955,842	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		50	D	\$15.23	955,792	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		2,351	D	\$15.3	953,441	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		50	D	\$15.31	953,391	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		50	D	\$15.32	953,341	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		5,828	D	\$15.36	947,513	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		150	D	\$15.37	947,363	D	
Common Sto	ock		01/07/20	04	S		522	D	\$15.39	946,841	D	

		Та	able II - Deriva (e.g., p					ired, Disp options, o							
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	cise (Month/Day/Year) f ive	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. 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 Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

 $The sales \ reported \ on \ this \ Form \ 4 \ were \ effected \ pursuant \ to \ a \ Rule \ 10b-5-1 \ trading \ plan \ adopted \ by \ the \ reporting \ person.$

/s/ Paula S. Kasler, by power of 01/09/2004 <u>attorney</u>

** 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).
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