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## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  CHOWRIRA BHARAT M							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS [ NKTR ]										cable) or	g Pers	son(s) to Iss 10% Ov Other (s	wner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 201 INDUSTRIAL ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/18/2009										X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  SVP & COO				эрсспу
(Street) SAN CARLOS CA 94070 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. 1	Line) X Fo								) <mark>X</mark> Form f	or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  In filed by One Reporting Person  In filed by More than One Reporting  In filed by More than One Reporting					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/Date)					action	ear)	2A. Deeme Execution if any	Deemed cution Date,		3. 4. Se Transaction Dispo Code (Instr. 5)		4. Securit	ties Ac	quired	(A) or	5. Amou Securitie Benefici	nt of 6. O es Formally (D) (is collowing (I) (I			7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Co	de V	·	Amount	(	(A) or (D)	Price	Transact (Instr. 3	ion(s)			,
	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 D if any (Month/Day)	ate, T	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				Expira	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (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)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				c	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	isable		xpiration ate	Title		Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option	\$9.24	11/18/2009			Α		25,000		(	1)	11	1/18/2017	Com		25,000	\$9.24	25,000	0	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The shares subject to the stock option vest on the first anniversary of the grant date (November 18, 2010).

Gil M. Labrucherie - Attorney-11/20/2009 in-Fact

\*\* 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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