Instruction 1(b)

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Thomsen Jillian B. | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS [NKTR] | | | | | | | | | ck all applic Directo | cable) | g Pers | son(s) to Iss 10% Ov Other (s | ner | | |
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| (Last) C/O NEI | ` | irst) RAPEUTICS | (Middle) | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/16/2021 | | | | | | | | | & Chief Account | | below) | · |
| 455 MISSION BAY BOULEVARD SOUTH | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (Street) SAN FRANCE | ISCO C. | A | 94158 | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | Line) | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| (City) | (S | tate) | (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Date | | | | n/Day/Year) | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year | | Code (Instr. | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5) | | or 4 and | Securitie Benefici | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | | n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount (A) or (D) | | PI | rice | Transact | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | ,msu. 4) |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ 12 | | | | 12/10 | 5/2021 | | A | | 21,200 A \$ | | 0.00 | 167,681 ⁽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 (Instr. 3) 3. Transaction Date Execution Date (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/ | | | ate, Transaction Code (Instr. | | n of | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction((Instr. 4) | s S Ily | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisal | | xpiration ate | Title | Amo or Num of Shar | nber | | | | | |
| Stock Option | \$13.22 | 12/16/2021 | | | A | | 37,600 | | (3) | 1 | 2/15/2029 | Common Stock | 37, | 600 | \$0.00 | 37,600 | 0 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. This stock award was acquired pursuant to a grant of restricted stock units ("RSUs"). Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive, upon vesting of the unit, one share of the Issuer's common stock. 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 6,190 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. This stock option vests over four years from the date of grant in equal monthly installments based on continued service.

Remarks:

Mark A. Wilson, Attorney-in-** Signature of Reporting Person

Fact

12/20/2021

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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