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(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS [NKTR] Johnston David Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) (Last) (First) (Middle) SVP, Research & Development 05/14/2007 C/O NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS 150 INDUSTRIAL ROAD 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) (Street) X Form filed by One Reporting Person 94070 SAN CARLOS CA Form filed by More than One Reporting (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction 2A. Deemed 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature Date **Execution Date** Transaction Securities Form: Direct of Indirect (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year) (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Code (Instr Beneficially Beneficial Owned Following Ownership 8) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) or (D) Transaction(s) Price Code ν Amount (Instr. 3 and 4) 05/14/2007 Common Stock 2,000 \$0.01 6,600 D A Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 1. Title of 3A. Deemed 11. Nature 3. Transaction 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and 8. Price of 9. Number of 10. of Indirect Derivative Conversion Transaction Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Security (Instr. 3) Securities Beneficial or Exercise if anv Code (Instr. Securities Security Form: Price of Derivative (Month/Day/Year) 8) Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 5) Beneficially Direct (D) Ownership Acquired Owned or Indirect (Instr. 4) (A) or Disposed Security (Instr. 3 and 4) Following (I) (Instr. 4) Reported of (D) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3, 4 (Instr. 4) and 5)

Date

Exercisable

05/14/2007

(D)

2.000

(A)

Expiration

(1)

Title

Stock

Date

Explanation of Responses:

\$0.01

1. Not Applicable.

Restricted Stock Unit

/s/ Paula S. Kasler, by Power of Attorney 05/14/2007

\$0.01

8,000

D

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Amount or Number

Shares

2,000

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).

05/14/2007

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