FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Washington, D.C. 20549

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			or Section 30(n) of the investment Company Act of 1940	
1. Name and Addre	, ,	erson*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS [NKTR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify
(Last) 150 INDUSTRI	(First) AL ROAD	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/08/2004	X Office (give the Other (specify below) President Of Nektar AL
(Street) SAN CARLOS	CA	94070	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	G. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting
(City)	(State)	(Zin)		Person

SAN CARLO	OS (CA	94070)							X	Form filed by One Form filed by Mo		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)									Person		
			Table I -	Non-Deriva	tive	Securities Acq	uired	, Dis	posed of,	or Ber	eficially	Owned		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2. Trar Date (Month		tion y/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of	Acquired (D) (Instr	(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)		(1130.4)
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	2004		S		350	D	\$15.93	926,595	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	2004		S		400	D	\$15.94	926,195	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	004		S		5,286	D	\$15.96	920,909	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	004		S		1,865	D	\$15.97	919,044	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	004		S		100	D	\$15.971	918,944	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	004		S		50	D	\$15.98	918,894	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	004		S		3,200	D	\$16	915,694	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	2004		S		200	D	\$16.01	915,494	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	004		S		900	D	\$16.02	914,594	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	2004		S		2,071	D	\$16.03	912,523	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	004		S		2,202	D	\$16.04	910,321	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	004		S		100	D	\$16.041	910,221	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	2004		S		800	D	\$16.05	909,421	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	2004		S		450	D	\$16.051	908,971	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	2004		S		3,938	D	\$16.08	905,033	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	2004		S		750	D	\$16.1	904,283	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	004		S		163	D	\$16.11	904,120	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	004		S		150	D	\$16.12	903,970	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	2004		S		150	D	\$16.13	903,820	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	2004		S		100	D	\$16.14	903,720	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	2004		S		5,075	D	\$16.15	898,645	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	004		S		350	D	\$16.17	898,295	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	004		S		75	D	\$16.171	898,220	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	2004		S		4,100	D	\$16.21	894,120	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	2004		S		500	D	\$16.22	893,620	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	2004		S		150	D	\$16.221	893,470	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	2004		S		600	D	\$16.23	892,870	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	2004		S		2,000	D	\$16.24	890,870	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	2004		S		150	D	\$16.241	890,720	D	
Common Stoc	k			01/08/2	2004		S		900	D	\$16.26	889,820	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	version Date (Month/Day/Year) 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 5. Se Ac (A) Discording the control of th			5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr	ative rities ired osed	6. Date Exerc Expiration Day/\(\text{(Month/Day/\)}\)	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).
- ** 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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