Instruction 1(b)

FORM 4

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Nicholson John						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS [NKTR]								Relationship neck all appli Directo	cable)	g Pers	son(s) to Iss 10% Ov Other (s	vner
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS 455 MISSION BAY BOULEVARD SOUTH						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/05/2014								below		inan	below) cial Office	er
(Street) SAN FRANCISCO CA 94158				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Lin	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)															
		Tab	le I - Non	-Deriva	ative	e Se	curities	s Ac	quired, D	Disp	osed o	f, or Be	neficial	ly Owned	l			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						Executio			Code (In	saction Disposed O		ties Acquired (A) o I Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a		Benefici	es Formally (D) (Following (I) (I			7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
								Code	v	Amount	(A) oi (D)	Price	Transac	Transaction(s) Instr. 3 and 4)			(
		-	Table II - D						uired, Dis					Owned			'	
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Daif any (Month/Day/	ate, Tr	ransaction 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)
				C	ode	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option	\$12.43	02/05/2014			A		87,500		(1)	02	2/04/2022	Common Stock	87,500	\$0	87,500	0	D	
Stock	\$12.43	02/05/2014			A	V	87,500		(2)	02	2/04/2022	Common	87,500	\$0	87,500	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

Gil M. Labrucherie, Attorney-02/07/2014

** 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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^{1.} This option was granted on February 5, 2014 and vests in monthly installments over the four-year period following the grant date.

^{2.} This stock option is subject to both time-based vesting and performance-based vesting conditions, both of which must be met before the shares subject to the option become vested and exerciseable. The timebased vesting is on a monthly pro-rata basis over a period of four (4) years from the grant date (February 5, 2014). The performance-based vesting condition will be met only if Nektar (or a licensee) files, within five years following the grant date, a new drug registration with the FDA or the European Medicines Agency for a significant drug candidate program (avg. royalty >7.5%) including, without limitation, the following: (1) etirinotecan pegol; (2) NKTR-061/Amikacin Inhale; (3) BAX-855 (a longer-acting (PEGylated) form of a full-length recombinant factor VIII (rFVIII) protein; or (4) dry powder inhaled ciprofloxacin