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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Lorianne Masuoka K. (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS 201 INDUSTRIAL ROAD			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS</u> [ NKTR ]     3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)     02/01/2010	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) SVP & Chief Medical Officer				
201 INDUSTRIA	IL ROAD							
(Street) SAN CARLOS (City)	CA (State)	94070 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	<ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</li> <li>X Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> <li>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</li> </ul>				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 1. Title of Derivative Security 8. Price of Derivative Security 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount 9. Number of 10. 11. Nature 2 Ownership Form: Execution Date, if any Transaction Code (Instr. 8) Conversion Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) of Securities Underlying Date Derivative derivative of Indirect (Month/Day/Year) or Exercise Beneficial Securities Securities Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative Acquired (A) or Disposed Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4) Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year) Security (Instr. 5) Security of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Following Reported Transaction(s) Amount (Instr. 4) Number Expiration Date Code v (A) (D) Exercisable Date Title of Shares Stock Common \$11.34 02/01/2010 A 125.000 (1) 02/01/2018 125,000 \$11.34 125,000 D Option Stock

Explanation of Responses:

1. The shares subject to this stock option shall vest on a monthly pro-rata basis over a period of four (4) years from the grant date (February 1, 2010).

Gil M. Labrucherie - Attorney-02/03/2010

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\*\* 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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