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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Thomsen Jillian B.</u> | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS [NKTR] | | | | | | | | (Che | ck all app Direc | olicable) | g Person(s) to I | |
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| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS 455 MISSION BAY BOULEVARD SOUTH | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/18/2020 | | | | | | | X | belo | w) `` | below ccounting Of |)`` | | | |
| (Street) SAN FRANCISCO CA 94158 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | 6. Inc Line) | Forn Forn | ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | |
| | | Tabl | e I - No | on-Deriva | ative | Sec | uritie | s Ac | quired | l, Dis | sposed o | f, or I | 3ene | ficially | / Own | ed | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day) | | | | | Execution Date, | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | | | Secur | ficially d Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | | | |
| | | | | | Code | v | Amount (A) or (D) | | ice | Trans | action(s) 3 and 4) | | (Instr. 4) | | | | | |
| Common Stock 02/18/20 | | | | .020 | | S | | 1,394(1) | 1 | \$ | 22.35 ⁽² | 35 ⁽²⁾ 174,086 | | 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) | erivative Conversion Date Execution Date or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any | | on Date, | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) | | De Se (In | Price of erivative ecurity str. 5) | itive derivative Securities | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercis | able | Expiration Date | Title | Amo or Num of Shar | per | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents the number of shares required to be sold by the reporting person to cover tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of the RSUs held by the reporting person. This sale is mandated by the Issuer's election under its equity incentive plans to require the satisfaction of tax withholding obligations to be funded by a "sell to cover" transaction and does not represent a discretionary trade by the reporting person.
- 2. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$22.00 to \$23.08. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide full information regarding the number of shares and the prices at which the transactions were effected upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer.
- 3. This number includes 988 shares held by the reporting person in the Issuer's 401(K) plan and 4,809 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).

Remarks:

Mark A. Wilson, Attorney-in-

<u>Fact</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

02/20/2020

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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