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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Swirsky Douglas J

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

11/15/2017

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

PERNIX THERAPEUTICS HOLDINGS, INC. [PTX]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O PERNIX THERAPEUTICS HOLDINGS, INC., Â 10 NORTH PARK PLACE, SUITE 201

(Street)

10% Owner _X_ Director Officer

(Check all applicable)

_Other (give title below) (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

MORRISTOWN, NJÂ 07960

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form:

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially

owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security**

5. 4 Conversion Ownership or Exercise Form of Derivative Price of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

(Instr. 4)

Date **Expiration Title** Exercisable Date

Amount or Number of Derivative Security: Security Direct (D)

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Shares

or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10%

Owner Offic

Officer Other

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Swirsky Douglas J

C/O PERNIX THERAPEUTICS HOLDINGS, INC. 10 NORTH PARK PLACE, SUITE 201

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Signatures

/s/ Kenneth R. Pina, attorney-in-fact

11/17/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person

MORRISTOWN, NJÂ 07960

Date

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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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Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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