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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Chodakewitz Jeffrey

Symbol

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2018

Director 10% Owner _ Other (specify

X_ Officer (give title _ below) EVP GMDA, CMO

C/O VERTEX **PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED, 50 NORTHERN AVENUE**

(First)

(Middle)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

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BOSTON, MA 02210

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tabl | e I - Non-D | D erivative | Secur | ities Acqui | ired, Disposed of, | or Beneficiall | y Owned |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock | 01/02/2018 | | M | 3,438 | A | \$ 73.51 | 57,862 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/02/2018 | | S <u>(1)</u> | 300 | D | \$ 149.65 (2) (3) | 57,562 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/02/2018 | | S <u>(1)</u> | 675 | D | \$ 150.87 (3) (4) | 56,887 | D | |

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| Common Stock | 01/02/2018 | S <u>(1)</u> | 1,600 | D | \$ 152.06 55,287 (3) (5) | D |
|-----------------|------------|--------------|-------|---|----------------------------|---|
| Common Stock | 01/02/2018 | S <u>(1)</u> | 863 | D | \$ 152.8 (3) (6) 54,424 | D |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number conf Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | vative Expiration Date ies (Month/Day/Year) ed ed of | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 73.51 | 01/02/2018 | | M | 3,438 | <u>(7)</u> | 01/01/2024 | Common Stock | 3,438 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Chodakewitz Jeffrey C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED 50 NORTHERN AVENUE BOSTON, MA 02210

EVP GMDA, CMO

Signatures

/s/ Omar White, Attorney-in-Fact 01/03/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Transaction made pursuant to Dr. Chodakewitz's company-approved trading plan under Rule 10b5-1.
- (2) Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$149.65 (range \$149.41 to \$149.92).
- (3) Dr. Chodakewitz undertakes to provide (upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer) full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (4) Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$150.87 (range \$150.53 to \$151.50).
- (5) Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$152.06 (range \$151.70 to \$152.69).
- (6) Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$152.80 (range \$152.70 to \$153.03).
- (7) Fully vested.

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