

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
BARRETT DIANE

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
NOVEN PHARMACEUTICALS  
INC [NOVN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
10/26/2006

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
VP & Chief Financial Officer

C/O NOVEN  
PHARMACEUTICALS,  
INC., 11960 S.W. 144TH STREET

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

MIAMI, FL 33186

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |   |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|---|
|                                   |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |   |   |
|                                   |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V   | Amount   |   |   |
| Common Stock (\$ .0001 par value) | 10/26/2006                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               | 10,000  | A   | \$ 13.11   | 10,000  | D |
| Common Stock (\$ .0001 par value) | 10/26/2006                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               | 10,000  | D   | \$ 25.80   | 0   | 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 13.11   | 10/26/2006                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               | 10,000  | <sup>(2)</sup> 09/04/2009                                | Common Stock (\$ .0001 par value)                             | 10,000                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                              |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                      | Other |
| BARRETT DIANE<br>C/O NOVEN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.<br>11960 S.W. 144TH STREET<br>MIAMI, FL 33186 |               |           | VP & Chief Financial Officer |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Diane M. Barrett  
10/27/2006

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person                      Date

## 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) This transaction was effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on September 6, 2006.
- (2) 20% exercisable after 09/05/2003; 20% exercisable after 09/05/2004; 20% exercisable after 09/05/2005; 20% exercisable after 09/05/2006; 20% exercisable after 09/05/2007.

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