

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>Nicholson John</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS</u> <u>455 MISSION BAY BOULEVARD SOUTH</u> (Street) <u>SAN FRANCISCO CA 94158</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS [NKTR]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>SVP & Chief Operating Officer</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>07/14/2016</u>	
		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	07/14/2016 ⁽²⁾		A		26,000	A	\$0.00	103,630	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)	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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Stock Option ⁽³⁾	\$16.31	07/14/2016 ⁽⁴⁾		A		87,500		(5)	12/08/2022	Common Stock	87,500	\$0.00	87,500	D	
Stock Option ⁽⁶⁾	\$15.55	07/14/2016 ⁽⁷⁾		A		22,000		(5)	12/14/2023	Common Stock	22,000	\$0.00	22,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Represents restricted stock units ("RSU"), convertible on a one-for-one basis into shares of Common Stock of the Company. These RSUs, at the time of their grant on December 15, 2015, were subject to both performance-based and time-based vesting requirements. On July 14, 2016, the performance-based condition vesting was satisfied. The time-based vesting is on a quarterly pro-rata basis over a period of three (3) years from the date of grant.
- These restricted stock units ("RSU") were granted on December 15, 2015 and the performance-based vesting requirement for these RSUs was satisfied on July 14, 2016 due to the successful acceptance of the Marketing Authorization Application by the European Medicines Agency for ONZEALD (NKTR-102).
- These options, at the time of their grant were subject to both performance-based and time-based vesting requirements. On July 14, 2016, the performance-based condition vesting was satisfied. The time-based vesting is on a monthly pro-rata basis over a period of four years from the grant date (December 9, 2014).
- These stock options were granted on December 9, 2014. The performance-based vesting requirement for these stock options was satisfied on July 14, 2016 due to the acceptance of the Marketing Authorization Application by the European Medicines Agency for ONZEALD (NKTR-102).
- This stock option vests on a monthly pro-rata basis over a period of four years from the grant date.
- These options, at the time of their grant were subject to both performance-based and time-based vesting requirements. On July 14, 2016, the performance-based condition vesting was satisfied. The time-based vesting is on a monthly pro-rata basis over a period of four years from the grant date (December 15, 2015).
- These stock options were granted on December 15, 2015. The performance-based vesting requirement for these stock options was satisfied on July 14, 2016 due to the acceptance of the Marketing Authorization Application by the European Medicines Agency for ONZEALD (NKTR-102).

Remarks:

Gil M. Labrucherie 07/18/2016
 ** 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).

** 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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